

## Remember

Philippians 1:1-6

Background

### I. Remember who you are — speaks of **Perspective**

“Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons.” (Vs.1)

#### i. **Servants** (Vs.1)

“The world is yet to see what God will do with and for and through and in and by the one who is fully consecrated to God!” Henry Varley

#### ii. **Saints** (Vs.1)

“all the saints in Christ Jesus at Philippi...”

#### iii. **Partners** (Vs.2)

### II. Remember what you are — speaks of **Privilege**

“In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you...” (Vv. 4-6a)

“If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”  
2 Corinthians 5.17

### III. Remember why you are — speaks of **Purpose**

“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 1:6)

“We are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Ephesians 2:10)

How does God complete his work in you?

- a. “justification” - to be declared righteous in God’s sight (Romans 5.1)
- b. “sanctification” - to be set apart for God’s purposes and to grow in holiness.

“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.” (1 Thess 5:16)

- c. “glorification” - to be perfected in holiness, forever removed from the power and presence of sin.

“For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son ... and those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; **those he justified, he also glorified.**” (Rom 8:28-30)

For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not mere human beings? What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. (1 Cor 3:3-5)

Servants = table-waiters.

“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.” (Vs. 6)

“So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.” (vs. 7)

1. Remember who you are — speaks of Perspective
2. Remember what you are — speaks of Privilege
3. Remember why you are — speaks of Purpose