Series *Sermon-based Growth Group Questions*
November 1, 2020
Philippians 3:1-11

Introductory Discussion:
What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Discussion:

1. Look back at verse 11, what is Paul trying to "lay hold of" in verse 12?

    a. What attitude does Paul display in verse 12?

    b. What does the phrase, "for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus," tell us about God's purpose in us?

2. What does it mean to be "forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead" (verse 13)?
    a. What does that look like?

3. Paul says in verse 15, "Let those of us who are mature think this way." How does a mature Christian think (verses 12-14)?

4. As we press on, what does Paul want to make sure we do in verse 16 when he says, "let us keep living by that same standard to which we have attained"?

5. Who should we model ourselves after and who should we avoid according to verse 18?

    a. How can we tell the difference according to verse 19?

6. If our "citizenship is in heaven," how does that affect the way we live here?

7. If we are going to be transformed in the future, what is the value of beginning the process of being transformed into his image now?