

**Sermon: *New Beginnings***

**December 27, 2020**

**Scripture: *Philippians 3:7-14***

**I. A \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when we really begin to know Jesus. *Philippians 3:7-12***

**1. He desired the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus the Lord.**

**2. Paul wanted to experience the \_\_\_\_\_ of God in his life. *2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 3:24-26***

**3. Paul wanted to live in resurrection power. *Philippians 3:10-12*  
*Philippians 1:21; Galatians 2:20 1 Corinthians 15:31? Luke 9:23***

**II. \_\_\_\_\_ to the mark. *Philippians 3:13-14***

**1. We think about the right things. *Phil. 4: 8*)**

**2. Paul tells them that his fellowship with Christ brings him contentment. *Phil.:(11-13); 2 Corinthians 4:16-18***

**III. Believers are never without \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Lamentations 3:19-24***

**1. Never confuse \_\_\_\_\_ with condemnation. *1 John 1:9 Romans 8:1-2; 2 Corinthians 3:17-18***

**Thought for the Day** We at Manship Chapel would like to thank everyone for their prayers, financial support and participation in our ministries this year. It has been a challenging and difficult year for us all but God has been faithful. This year has seen the expansion of our outreach to include broadcasting our services online. Many thanks to Caleb Tribbitt and Andrew Cooper for all their hard work to start those ministries. Many thanks to Bob James for putting the audio tapes online and for organizing our website. The youth group has been active, able to retreats and trips. Most of the ministries have continued including vacation Bible school. Still there are many of our family who we are missing due to the Pandemic. We thank God that He has protected us while we have been apart and we look forward to the day when all of us can safely worship together. There are still challenges ahead but I believe that we as a church family who trusts in the power and faithfulness of our Savior will rise above any challenge the enemy puts before us. I wish all of you a blessed year filled with peace coming from abiding with Jesus. **Pastor Bruce**