



To Live  
is CHRIST



“Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you.”

- Phil 3:15

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## Right Goals:

“That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.”

- Phil 3:10-11

# What are your goals in life?





*“But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.*

*<sup>8</sup> Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him.”*

*- Phil 3:7-9a*



# What did Paul give up?

*“If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless”*

*- Phil 3:4-6*







# Christ is of surpassing worth

- Eph 1:5, In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons **through Jesus Christ**
- Eph 1:7 - **In him** we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace
- Eph 1:11-12, **In him** we have obtained an inheritance...
- Eph 1:13, **In him** you also... were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit

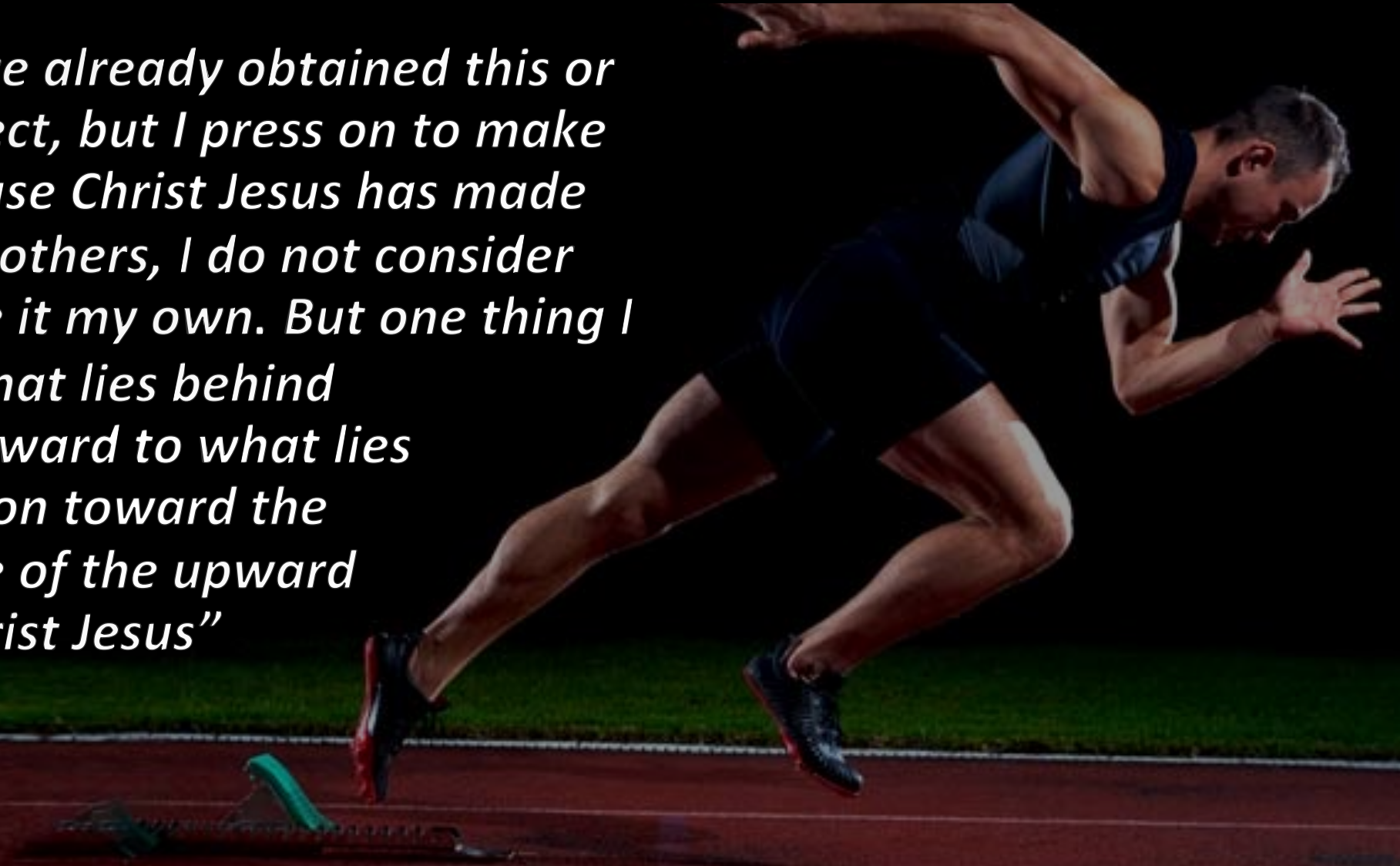




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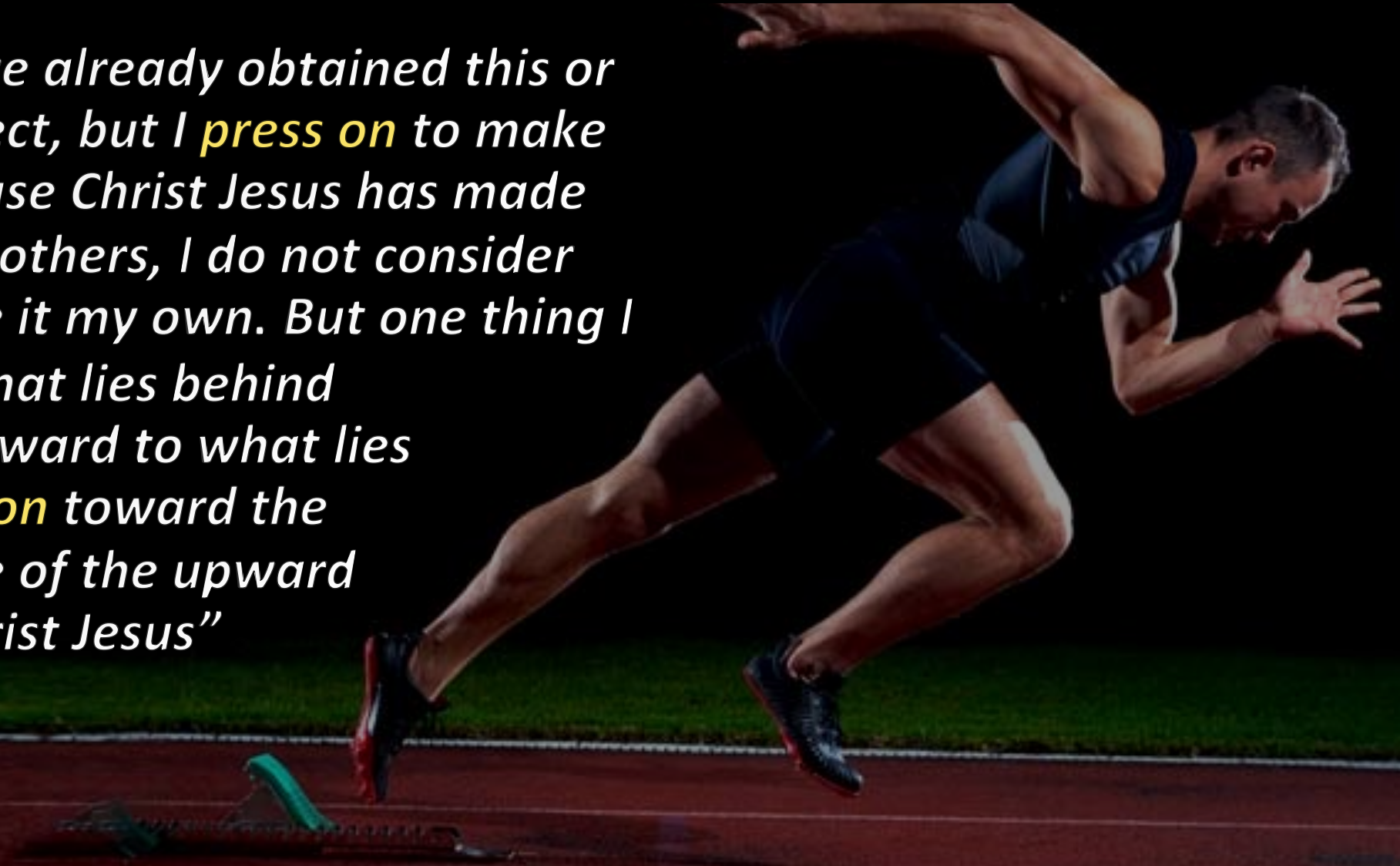
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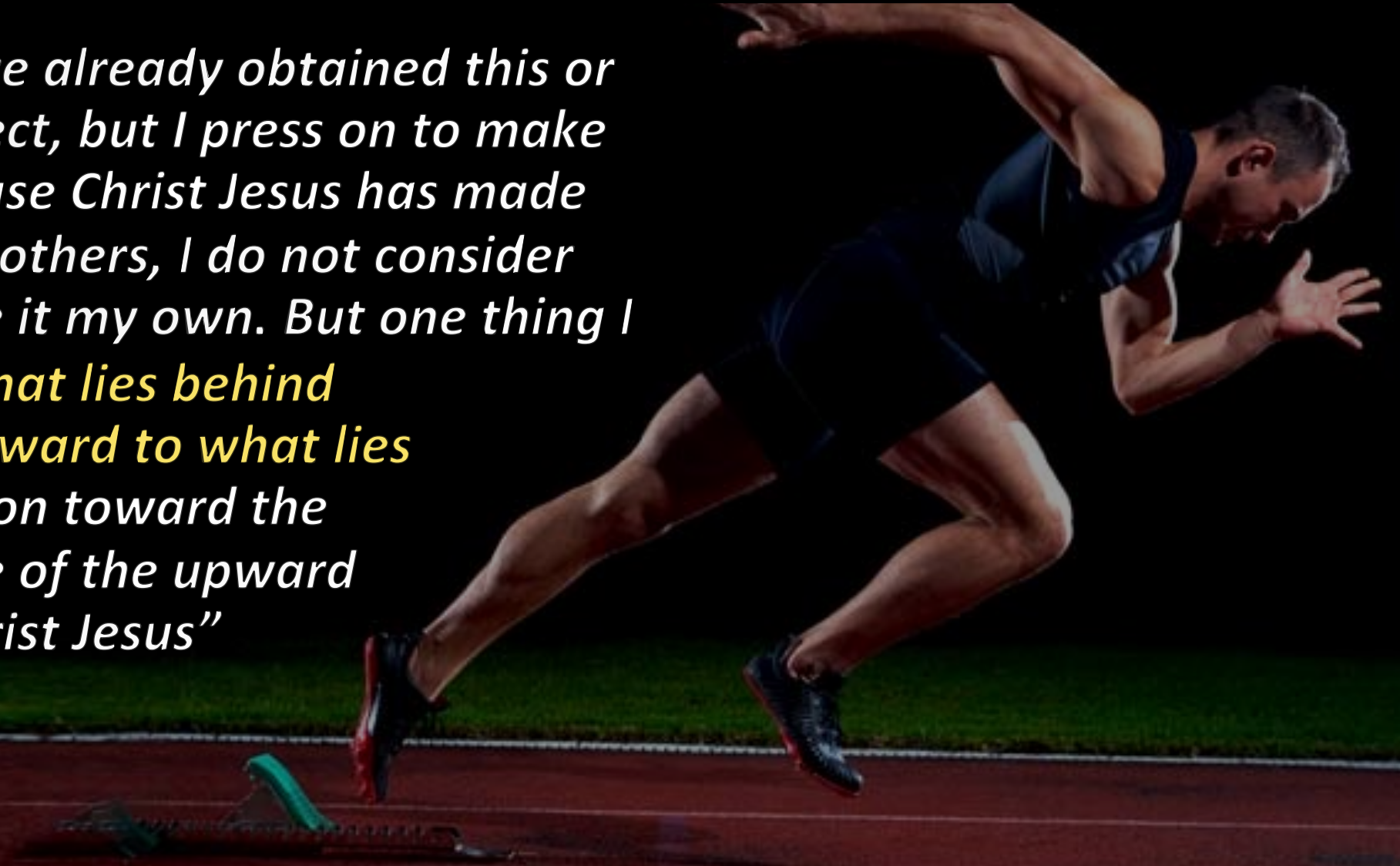
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- Make knowing Christ the central goal of your life
- Where other goals compete intentionally choose to value Christ and put him first
- Run with determination toward the goal of knowing Christ. And to do so, regularly practice the spiritual disciplines of spending time with the Lord.