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Speaker: Pastor Tim McCardel Message Series: Made New, Pt.2 – Moving Past Our Past

One Huge Hurdle: The inability or refusal to accept the forgiveness of God

Reality: Nothing, No Thing, can hold me back from God's grace and mercy.

Today: <u>A Long Look</u>: at the <u>far-reaching effects</u> of the <u>resurrection</u>.

1. Live, Looking Out The Windshield, NOT the Rearview Mirror

Philippians 3:10-14

Paul's Need:

- 1) He knows he's still a <u>work</u> in progress and he must forget what's behind him.
- 2) He was <u>confident</u> that God had <u>great things ahead</u> for his life so he <u>would focus</u> on <u>God's</u> <u>promises</u>.

Philippians 3:3, 4, 7-9

2. To Move Past Our Past, We Must Put It To Death

We Must Make The Move: Align ourselves with the power available to us thru Christ's resurrection.

Romans 6:5, 6, 11, 12

Galatians 2:20, 21

Take The Steps:

- 1) We must <u>Fully die</u> to our old self: our sins, our stubborn pride: so when our <u>old self</u> is <u>dead</u>: <u>Christ</u> can <u>live thru us</u>.
- 2) Put our faith in the Loving, Powerful Grace of God: The Only Way to Be Made New.
- When We Daily Put To Death Our Past: Nailing it to the cross of Christ—we are released from it's power: Made New, Made Clean.

3. Move Forward In Faith

"So I live in this" Galatians 2:20

Psalm 103:8, 11-14

We no longer are to carry around our guilt and shame: <u>Jesus' cross</u> and <u>resurrection new life</u> allows us to move past our past!

Galatians 2:20, 21