

# NOVEMBER SCRIPTURE & SPOTLIGHT

## GROWTH MINDSET/GRIT & COURAGE

### PHILIPPIANS 3:12-16 MSG

**12** I'm not saying that I have this all together, that I have it made. But I am well on my way, reaching out for Christ, who has so wondrously reached out for me.

**13-14** Friends, don't get me wrong: By no means do I count myself an expert in all of this, but I've got my eye on the goal, where God is beckoning us onward—to Jesus. I'm off and running, and I'm not turning back.

**15-16** So let's keep focused on that goal, those of us who want everything God has for us. If any of you have something else in mind, something less than total commitment, God will clear your blurred vision—you'll see it yet! Now that we're on the right track, let's stay on it.

#### **AFFIRMATION:**

**I am known. I am loved. I was born on purpose for a purpose. I matter. Today, I can do hard things! I am taking charge of my thoughts, feelings & actions. I can and will learn from my mistakes. I persevere. I am growing through challenges. I might need a break, but I won't give up. No matter what comes my way, God is with me. He is for me. I'm ready to conquer today!**

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## LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!

Last month we discussed that perseverance and determination means never giving up, no matter what! This month, we are taking it deeper and looking at a Growth Mindset using grit. Grit means being able to keep working toward a goal and overcoming obstacles, even when it's hard. **What do you think grit looks like and sounds like?**

A person with grit decides to do something, and then does it, no matter what comes their way! **When was a time you had grit?**

**When you read this month's Scripture what stands out to you? What do you like? What do you want to ask a question about?**

Just like last month, these verses were written by the Apostle Paul. He had a lot to say about perseverance and grit. Don't you think? **What lesson do you think he's trying to teach us?**

Do you think Paul had a growth or fixed mindset? Why? What verses support your opinion?

Paul was a great leader, but even he knew he wasn't perfect or didn't have it all together. **How does this make you feel when you know someone doesn't know it all? Why do think Paul wanted us to know this? How does this make you feel about your weaknesses or mistakes?**

**What do you picture when you read verse 12, "But I am well on my way, reaching out for Christ, who has so wondrously reached out for me." ?**

**Why do you think it's important to keep your eye on the goal? What do you think is the biggest challenge to this? Why?**

Commitment means doing what needs to be done regardless of your talents or your mood. Sometimes things don't go the way we thought they would. We face challenges, disappointments and distractions that make it hard to keep our commitment. **How can these things "blur" your vision from your goal? Verse 16 tells us that "God will clear your blurred vision—you'll see it yet!" what does this tell you about God's heart for you?**

**How can you stay on the right track? What is one thing you can do today?**