

MOVING FORWARD

¹⁹ He took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. **Do this in remembrance of me.**”

²⁰ After supper he took another cup of wine and said, “This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you.”

Luke 22:19-20 (NLT)

We **Remember** What He Did to **Forget** What We Did!

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ARCHIMEDES

Greek Philosopher
"Father of Mathematics"
287-212 B.C.



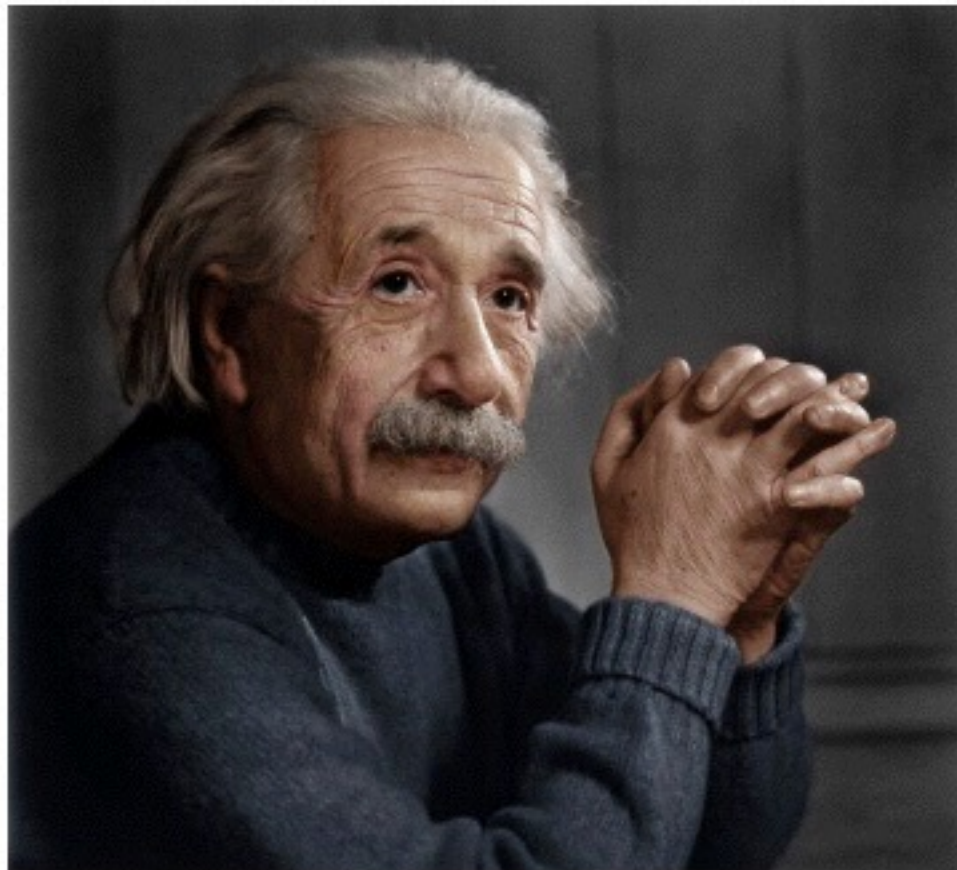
When the Romans conquered Syracuse (his hometown), a soldier found him drawing figures in the sand. Ignoring the soldier and chaos around him, Archimedes would only say, "Do not disturb my circles." This angered the soldier, and Archimedes was killed on the spot.

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Albert Einstein

*Time Magazine Person
of the 20th Century
1879-1955*



He was known to leave behind clothes, and sometimes even his suitcase, when he traveled, and his inability to remember his keys became a running joke with his landlady. He once visited the home of family friends and, he recalled, “I left forgetting my suitcase. My host said to my parents, ‘That man will never amount to anything because he can’t remember anything.’”

- *Walter Isaacson*

¹² I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. ¹³ No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us. ¹⁵ Let all who are spiritually mature agree on these things. If you disagree on some point, I believe God will make it plain to you.

Philippians 3:12-15 (NLT)

¹² I admit that I haven't yet acquired the absolute fullness that I'm pursuing, but I run with passion *into his abundance* so that I may reach the purpose that Jesus Christ has called me to fulfill and wants me to discover.¹³ I don't depend on my own strength to accomplish this; however I do have one compelling focus: I forget all of the past as I fasten my heart to the future instead.¹⁴ I run straight for the divine invitation of reaching the heavenly goal and gaining the victory-prize through the anointing of Jesus.¹⁵ So let all who are fully mature have this same passion, and if anyone is not yet gripped by these desires, God will reveal it to them.

Philippians 3:12-15 (TPT)

WE MOVE FORWARD BY FORGETTING

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Philippians 3:13 (TPT)

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¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes. They will be permitted to enter through the gates of the city and eat the fruit from the tree of life. ¹⁵ Outside the city are the dogs—the sorcerers, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idol worshipers, and all who love to live a lie. ¹⁶ “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this message for the churches. I am both the source of David and the heir to his throne. I am the bright morning star.”

Revelation 22:14-16 (NLT)

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²⁰ If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

1 John 3:20 (NIV)

Condemnation can become a form of self-rejection that transforms every voice into a voice of judgment. If we don't learn how to conquer condemnation, we live as children of rejection.

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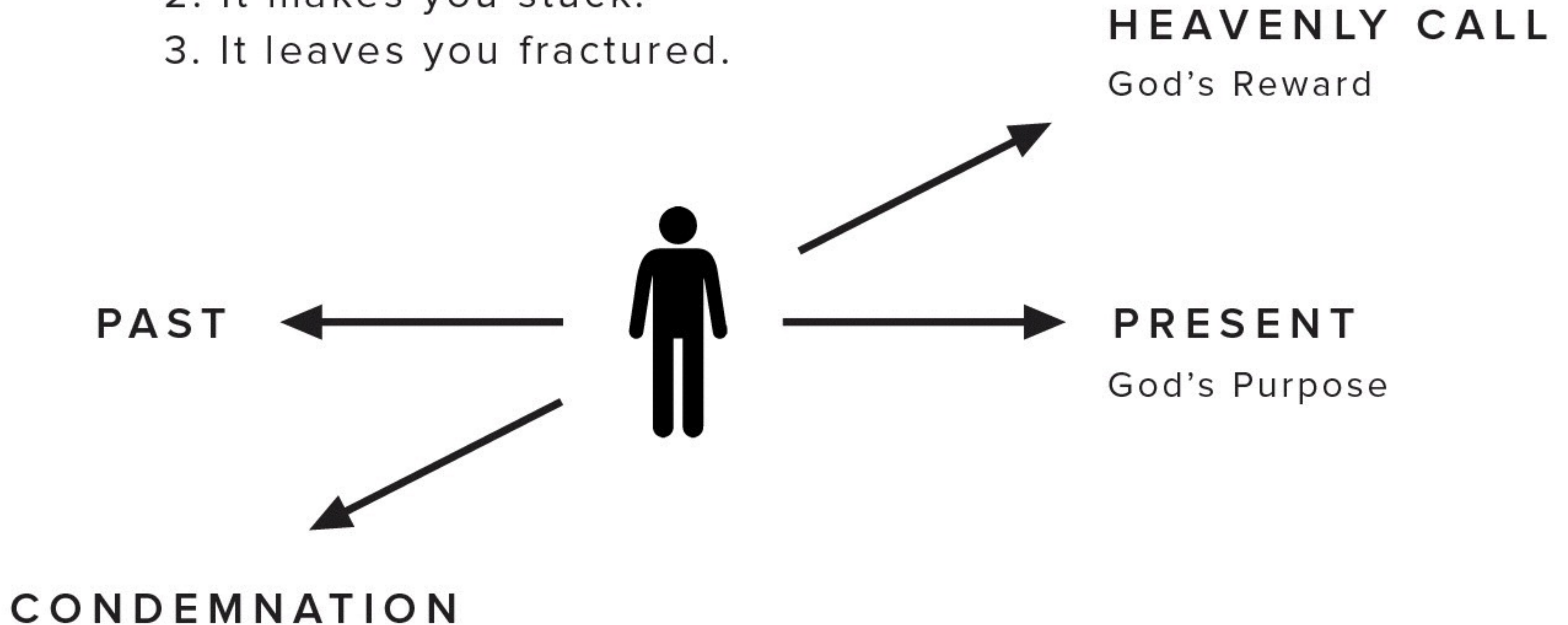
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Philippians 3:13-14 (TPT)

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Trying to live by faith while walking in condemnation is like trying to go in two directions at the same time:

1. It tears you apart.
2. It makes you stuck.
3. It leaves you fractured.



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“Beware of looking back at what you once were, when God wants you to become someone you’ve never been.” - Oswald Chambers