

## **4U – PRESSING ON**

### **ICEBREAKER**

*What is one of your goals or New Years Resolutions for 2010 and how are you going towards achieving that goal?*

### **Read Philippians 3:12-21**

#### **DISCOVERING**

1. In both v12 & 13 Paul writes that he has not already achieved or attained these things. What is the 'these things' or 'it' that he has not yet achieved? (NB: This is discovered from the immediate context of v10-11)
2. What two things does Paul say he desires to 'press on' with?
3. What kind of things do those who are spiritually mature agree on?

#### **DIGGING DEEPER**

4. What does Paul understand 'perfection' to mean in these verses? (NB: This is an important understanding that comes from the three questions above – it is not what we generally think)
5. What kind of conduct indicates that a person is an enemy of Christ?
6. How can we be 'citizens of heaven' v20 in my every day life?

#### **APPLICATION/RELEVANCE**

7. Compare the priority in your life to 'know Christ' with that of Paul in this passage. How does it compare?
8. To what extent have you come to 'know Christ' more in the past year or two? How has this happened?
9. What will you do practically during the next three months to enhance and grow your relationship with Christ? (Please be specific and share this with each other in the group, as these ideas will be of great benefit to every person, as we all need to know Christ more.)