GETTING PAST THE PAST

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The Past can be a **THIEF**.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy...

John 10:10a (NASB)

If you let it, the Past will:

A. Steal

B. Kill

C. <u>Destroy</u>

Getting Past The Past Requires:

1. Forgiveness.

Whenever you stand praying, **forgive**, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will also **forgive** you your transgressions.

Mark 11:25 (NASB)

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:31-32 (NIV)

2. Resolution.

Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.

1 Peter 5:7 (NLT)

3. Evolution.

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, ¹⁴I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Philippians 3:12-14 (NLT)

4. Eternal perspective.

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. ² Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

Colossians 3:1-2 (NKJV)

For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

Getting past the past sets me <u>Free</u>.

Free to enjoy the <u>Present</u>

and the Future that God has Planned for me!

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