

Small Group Questions:

1. Share a time in your life when you made a choice that gave you added momentum.
2. Identify one truth you are living through your life that could help others.
3. Is there any area of compromise in your life that God wants you to confront?
4. What needs to be stripped away so you can make new or right choices?

Instructions for sending a text question to Pastor George for the weekly Momentum Pod Cast:

Send your text to **22333**. The trigger word is “**fbc**i”. For example, if you wanted to ask “what is the definition of momentum,” you would send your text as follows...

fbci what is the definition of momentum

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Memory Verse for this week:

“I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus”.
Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

Please feel free to come down to the front for prayer after service.
“...pray for one another...” James 5:16



Week 4

“New Momentum Springs From New Choices”

“...though I could have confidence in my own effort if anyone could. Indeed, if others have reason for confidence in their own efforts, I have even more! I was circumcised when I was eight days old. I am a pure-blooded citizen of Israel and a member of the tribe of Benjamin – a real Hebrew if there ever was one! I was a member of the Pharisees, who demand the strictest obedience to the Jewish law. I was so zealous that I harshly persecuted the church. And as for righteousness, I obeyed the law without fault. I once thought these things were valuable, but now I consider them worthless because of what Christ has done. Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ.”
Philippians 3:4-8 (NLT)

Choice: The voluntary act of selecting or separating from two or more things, that which is preferred. The determination of the mind in preferring one thing over another.

1. A learned truth must become a living truth

"And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you."

Philippians 4:8-9 (NLT)

- We learn in public, but master in private the things of God

"Therefore, we never stop thanking God that when you received his message from us, you didn't think of our words as mere human ideas. You accepted what we said as the very word of God—which, of course, it is. And this word continues to work in you who believe."

1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NLT)

2. To make new choices, I need courage

- Courage is the willingness to act out of conviction rather than feelings
- Courage is choosing those convictions over compromise

Is there any area of compromise in my life that God wants me to confront? _____

"I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain."

Philippians 1:20-22 (NIV)

- A belief is something you will argue about, a conviction is something you will die for
- The choices we must make are not always new, or easy, but right

3. To make right choices I must train myself to be Godly

"If you explain these things to the brothers and sisters, Timothy, you will be a worthy servant of Christ Jesus, one who is nourished by the message of faith and the good teaching you have followed. Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas and old wives' tales. Instead, train yourself to be godly. 'Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come.'"

1 Timothy 4:6-8(NLT)

- Try - To make an attempt or an effort at
- Train - To make skillful or capable of, to aim or direct

4. Develop a plan that is:

- Personal – it will require discipline
- Practical – it must work and serve you
- Provable – it will produce results

What needs to be stripped away so I can make new or right choices? _____