

# GREATER JOY

## [DISCUSSION QUESTIONS]

**Awaiting a Savior  
December 5, 2021**

What are some things people wait for? Is there something you are waiting for right now?

How do you feel and what do you do when you have to wait? Why does how we wait for the return of Jesus or for other things matter?

### **Read Philippians 3:14-17**

How would you say you are running the race “toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called you heavenward in Christ Jesus”? Have you ever been tempted to slow down or quit? What kept you in the race?

Why is it important to consider the people who you “run with”? What characteristics should you be looking for? What characteristics should you avoid?

What is the last lesson you feel God has taught you or is teaching you now? Are you actively seeking new growth and new learning?

### **Read Philippians 3:18-21**

Paul warns us to stay away from “enemies of the cross”? How do we identify them? Why is spending time with them so dangerous?

Do you eagerly await heaven? What do you most look forward to?

Where are some places you’ve travelled? Were you glad to get home? If so, how can you relate that to our citizenship being in heaven?

End your time by praying that God would renew your strength and focus to run the race He has set before you. Make plans to spend time in prayer and in the Word asking God for ways you can encourage and model good growth for others...and then take advantage of those opportunities as they come along.