



THEME:

Physics & Hope > John 16:33 > Philippians 3:7-8

CONVERSATION:

1. If you could go back & tell about-to-graduate-high-school-You one thing about what was ahead in that coming year (or the next “chapter” of life), what would it be?
 - a. How would you have responded differently if you’d known what was coming?
2. Talk about a goal or dream that you worked toward/prayed for/counted on that:
 - a. DID “work out” & you’re glad it did
 - b. Did NOT “work out” and (in hindsight) you’re glad it didn’t
>>> why did your perspective change?

3. Check out John 16:33 >

I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world.

>>> What does it mean that Jesus “conquered the world” & how does this give us peace/courage?

RESPOND:

What is something I consider a “gain” (see Php 3:4-8) in this world that I have a hard time believing God can outdo? (modern examples: high income, sleek car, job title, fame, relationship status, etc.)

Or >>

What difficult situations (“physics”) have I experienced that make it hard for me to believe that there’s hope (“surface”)?

Pray for each other that these things (both the “gains” & difficulties) would become “dung” by comparison to the joy of knowing Christ.