



Perseverance in the Christian Race

How should we run to assure our success?

INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Sunday night: 5:00 p.m.

Scripture Reading: Heb 12:1-2

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INTRO.

- A. "Those who wait upon the Lord will gain new **s**_____, they will run and not get tired (Isa 40:31).
- B. "In your perseverance you will possess your souls" (Lk 21:19).
- C. Def: "To continue firmly in a pursuit; especially in the face of opposition; to endure.

I. HOW SHOULD WE RUN THE RACE?

- A. Run to **win**. "Run so as to get the **p**_____ (I Cor 9:24-27)."
- B. Run with dedication and focus. "This one thing I do" (Phil 3:13).
- C. Be forward looking! "I press on toward the goal" (Phil 3:132b-14)!
- D. Run with **d**_____ and self-control (I Cor 9:25).
- E. Run with certainty, but not overly so (I Cor 9:26-27, I Cor 10:12).
- F. Run with **p**_____ as we fix our eyes on Jesus (Heb 12:2).

II. HOW DO WE AVOID BECOMING WEARY?

- A. Depend upon God as the ultimate source of strength (Isa 40:31).
- B. Discouragement plus despair = **D**_____. Satan's greatest tool is to take away our hope.

III. THE KEY TO PERSEVERANCE IS FAITH (Heb 11: 1:6).

- A. We need a big faith! So plan big, and think big, because we serve a **b**_____ God!
- B. Paul said: "I can do all things through Christ" (Phil 4:13)!
- C. Our only limitation is the size of our **f**_____ (Rom 4:19-22).

CONCLUSION:

- A. True Faith is not just starting good but ending well! We must persevere (Lk 14:28-33)!
- B. Our attitude should be: "No retreat, no reserve, no **r**_____!"

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ANSWERS:

discipline

patience

Depression

big faith

regret prize

strength