#6. FINISH STRONG!

RESOLUTION

- 1) The act of resolving or determining upon an action, course of action, method, procedure, etc.
- 2) A resolve; a decision.
- 3) The mental state or quality of being resolved or resolute; firmness of purpose.

•	The quality of your	_ determines the quality of your _	
	WHEN FACED WITH	(this situation),	
	I HAVE RESOLVED TO	(take this action).	

"Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans." - Proverbs 16:3 NIV

• "WHEN I COMMIT, I DON'T QUIT!"

Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and <u>fully carry out the ministry God has given</u> <u>you</u>. ⁶As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near. ⁷I have fought the good fight, <u>I have finished the race</u>, and <u>I have remained faithful</u>. - <u>2 Timothy 4:5-7 NLT</u>

"I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead. ²Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have found your deeds *unfinished in the sight of my God*." - Revelation 3:1-2 NIV

WHAT IS YOUR UNFINISHED BUSINESS?

Here is my advice: It would be good for you to <u>finish what you started</u> a year ago. Last year you were the first who wanted to give, and you were the first to begin doing it. "Now you should <u>finish what you started</u>. - 2 **Corinthians 8:10-11 NLT**

"However, I consider <u>my life</u> worth nothing to me; my only aim is <u>to finish the race</u> and <u>complete the task the Lord Jesus has</u> <u>given me</u>—the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace." - Acts 20:24 NIV

"I Consider _____ Worth Nothing To Me!"

TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP!

Being confident of this, that he who <u>began a good work in you</u> will <u>carry it on to completion</u> until the day of Christ Jesus.

- Philippians 1:6 NIV

Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us <u>run with perseverance</u> the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and <u>finisher</u> of our faith, who for <u>the joy that was set before Him</u> endured the cross.

- Hebrews 12:1-2 NKJV

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- What's your typical attitude when you're starting something new, as compared to when you need to finish something up?
- What are some qualities of successful people?
- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why? Use any verses from above and read them before the group.
- Read 2 Corinthians 8:10-11. What have you started that you still need to finish?
- What are some differences between enthusiasm and endurance? How could you focus more on endurance this week?
- What specific things has God called you to do? Do your actions show that you're running for yourself or that you're running for God? In what ways could you run for God even more?
- How can you begin to pray this week to finish something you started.