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**THE IMPERISHABLE CROWN**  
**2 TIMOTHY 2:5; 1 CORINTHIANS 9:24-27**

**THE WINNING ATHLETE (2 Tim 2:5)**

Crowned – not because he \_\_\_\_\_ the contest

Crowned – because he \_\_\_\_\_ “according to the \_\_\_\_\_”

**COMPETING FOR THE IMPERISHABLE CROWN (1 COR 9:24-27)**

**1) DETERMINE THE \_\_\_\_\_ YOU VALUE MOST (1 Cor 9:24c, 25, 27)**

**A GREATER AND LESSER CROWN (v25)**

THE *PERISHABLE* CROWN – its value does not \_\_\_\_\_; fades away \_\_\_\_\_

THE *IMPERISHABLE* CROWN – gains \_\_\_\_\_ in this \_\_\_\_\_; increases in \_\_\_\_\_ in the coming \_\_\_\_\_

**PAUL’S LEGITIMATE FEAR (1 Cor 9:27)**

*Disqualified* – to be \_\_\_\_\_ at the \_\_\_\_\_ Seat of Christ

To forfeit future \_\_\_\_\_ privileges

**2) DETERMINE THE \_\_\_\_\_ YOU ARE WILLING TO PAY (1 Cor 9:25a, 27a)**

COMPETES – to get in \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_

*Agonizomai* – ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) – to push \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ stuff, the \_\_\_\_\_ stuff

God expects \_\_\_\_\_ believer to compete for the \_\_\_\_\_ crown

**MARKS OF A COMPETITOR**

*Exercises self-control (v25)* – ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) self-control (v27)

We cannot control our \_\_\_\_\_

We must control our \_\_\_\_\_ to our \_\_\_\_\_

*Exercises self-discipline (v27)* – begin with the \_\_\_\_\_; move to the more \_\_\_\_\_

**3) DETERMINE TO FACE YOUR GREATEST \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor 9:26, 27)**

**THE RUNNER – like one who runs aimlessly**

One who runs without a \_\_\_\_\_

One who \_\_\_\_\_ gets knocked off \_\_\_\_\_; out of the \_\_\_\_\_

**THE BOXER – like one beating the air**

One who \_\_\_\_\_ themselves out

One who never \_\_\_\_\_ with the opponent