

"I charge you in the presence of God to be ready to preach the Word at all times.

The time is coming when people won't endure sound teaching, but will twist the truth to justify their own actions and lifestyles.

Be sober-minded, endure the suffering, and fulfill your ministry.

Do your best to come to me quickly. The time for me to be executed has come.

I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith.

Now I go to receive the crown the Lord has waiting for me.

Many have abandoned me, but the Lord Stood by me and strengthened me.

To Him be the glory forever and ever. Let His will be so."



Bitterness DESTROYS



olive branch of peace.

Don't be easily offended. Don't hang on to offense.

When things don't work out the way you hoped, keep moving.

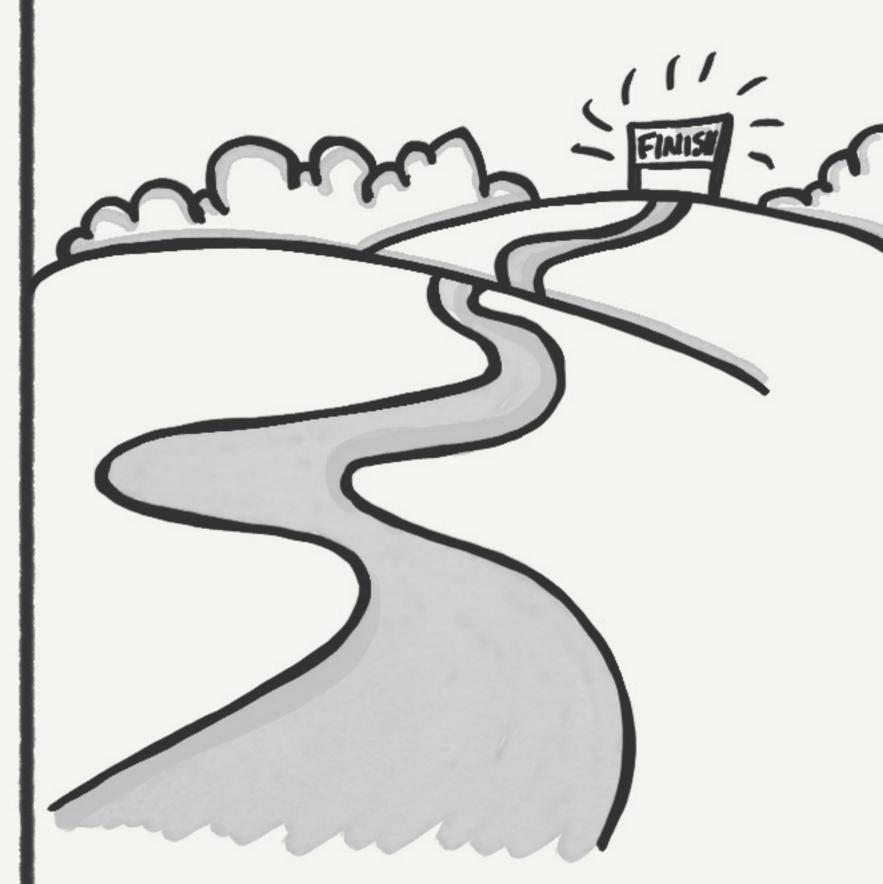
Even when you don't see it, He's working.

People will fail and disappoint you.

He never will. He is faithful. Paul is saying to each of us...

"I have fought the good fight.
I have finished the race.
I have kept the faith.
Now it's your turn."

Look to the finish line. Finish the race. Receive the crown.



Let's finish the race that's been set before us.