

WEEK ONE

Pastor Harry Kuehl Jan 1, 2017

Finishing Well

STUDY QUESTIONS
1. Have you ever started a project or goal that you didn't finish? What motivated you to start?
What made you stop?
2. Why is it often easier to start something than to finish it?
3. Take a look at Gen 11:31-32 and 12:1-5. What did Pastor Harry say was key to Abraham being able to finish well?
What were the obstacles? What did he do about them?
4. Why do you think Abraham's father stopped halfway to Canaan?

5. Pastor Harry said, "Before God chooses you to <u>do</u> something special, He chooses us to <u>be</u> someone special." What's so distinct about being a son of daughter of God? (see Galatians 3:26-4:7 for insights)
6. In the sermon we learned that it's not the giant leaps but the small right choices that get us to a place of blessing. Why aren't the giant leaps as effective?
What do some of these small, right choices look like?
7. What did Pastor Harry say was the reason we often choose to do our own thing rather than seek out what God would have us do?
8. Do you think the world was a better place in 2016 because you were in it? Do you think that question matters to God? Why or why not? How will be 2017 be different?
MEMORIZE : "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." – Hebrews 12:1-2a NKJV
CRB CORE VALUE THOUGHT: Do you have a good friend who shares your faith, who knows you well, and has the influence to speak wisdom to you when you're about to drift from God's way for you? Gauge your current friendships. What is one step you can take this week to strengthening the one friendship that has the potential to help you finish well?