

Finishing Strong

Greater Things Campaign

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Paul Knew the Cost

15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. 16 For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

—Acts 9:15-16 (ESV)

Paul Was Focused

24 But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

—Acts 20:24 (ESV)

Principle: God uses unwavering, unrelenting people to accomplish the unbelievable.

Our purpose: To be a community of believers that no matter who you are you can experience life change through Jesus Christ.

Paul Finished Strong

6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

—2 Timothy 4:6-7 (ESV)

Jesus was Focused

*10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”
—Luke 19:10 (ESV)*

Jesus Knew the Cost

*45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
—Mark 10:45 (ESV)*

Jesus Knew What it Would Accomplish

*16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.
—John 3:16 (ESV)*

*but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
—Romans 5:8 (ESV)*

*4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved... For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
—Ephesians 2:4-5,8 (ESV)*

Jesus Finished Strong and the Unbelievable Was Accomplished

*5 But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.
—Isaiah 53:5 (ESV)*

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 18 All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself...

—2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (ESV)

12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God,

—John 1:12 (ESV)

We Remember & Proclaim His Death for Us

24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 27 Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord.

—1 Corinthians 11:24-27 (ESV)