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DIRECTION FOR THE JOURNEY



## SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

April 27, 2025 | The Four Crowns (Week 4)

**Memory Verse** - <sup>14</sup> *I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.*  
Philippians 3:14(NIV)



### CLOSER TOGETHER \_\_\_\_\_

1. What is your proudest accomplishment?
2. What would you want your last meal to be?



### MESSAGE REFLECTION \_\_\_\_\_

1. Share something from the service or message that stood out to you, inspired you, or encouraged you.
2. Read **1 Kings 4:29-34** together. Summarize the life of King Solomon (*include the six reasons he was considered so successful*).
3. Share about something good that God has done in you or through you.
4. Why should you celebrate the good things God has done in your life?
5. Why are the good things God has done in you and through you not enough to propel you to the finish line of your faith?
6. Read **1 Kings 11:1-9** together. How did Solomon cultivate compromise in his life? How have you seen this happen in your life or others?
7. Why is finishing the race more important than simply running the race?



## GOING DEEPER \_\_\_\_\_

READ 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 together.

1. What is one thing that jumps out at you from this passage?
2. How does Paul describe what it's like to train for the athletic games?
3. What does spiritual training look like for the Christian aiming to win the prize?
4. Why is self-control vital to combat compromise in your life?

READ Hebrews 12:1-3 together.

5. What reason does the Hebrews writer give for running without hindrances or sinful entanglements? How does this help give you a different perspective on your faith race?
6. What does it mean when the writer says to *run with perseverance*?
7. How does Jesus' example help you persevere as you run the race of faith?
8. Share about a time that God helped you to persevere in your faith.



## LIVING IT OUT \_\_\_\_\_

1. Write a list of the good things God has done in your life. Thank him for his goodness in your life.
2. Ask God to reveal any places in your life that you may be cultivating compromise. Get rid of those things.
3. Read and meditate on **2 Timothy 4:7-8** this week. Ask God to help you finish the race well.



## LIFT EACH OTHER UP \_\_\_\_\_

*Take time to pray for each other.*