

Today's Theme

“Life Is Like...”

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1. Life is like *running* a race to *win* an *award*.

1 Corinthians 9:24

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it.

2. In order to win, we have to get *ourselves* in the *best shape* possible.

1 Corinthians 9:25

Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.

3. In order to win, we need to *keep* our *eyes* on the *prize*.

1 Corinthians 9:26

So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air.

4. In order to win, we need to *practice* to avoid pitfalls.

1 Corinthians 9:27

But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

5. In order to win, we need to *look* to *Jesus*.

Isaiah 40:28-31 ESV

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.