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Daily Devotions and Small Group Discussion Questions | Week 3

## This Week's Memory Verse

..to keep in your pocket, memorize, and hide in your heart:

So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.

- 2 Peter 3:14

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### Scripture Reading

2 Peter 3:11-18; 1 Corinthians 9:24

### Devotional Reading

Do you think you could run a full marathon right now? Most of us would probably say no.

While it may be easier to sprint a half mile than to run 26.2 miles, it is a greater test of endurance to run the much longer distance.

When hearing from God, it is sometimes easy to want to put on our shoes and run out the door, ready to do the Lord's work. While this urgency to sprint to further his Kingdom is necessary to get going, what happens after the first half mile? If we are not prepared with the proper endurance and patience that the Lord will complete his work, we will grow weary and fail to complete the race set before us.

As we are called upon to be spiritual athletes for Christ, we must recognize that we're not in a race just for speed. We are encouraged to remain consistent over time as we near the end.

Routine prayer, Bible study, and fellowship with other believers grounds us and gives us the stamina and passion we need to worship God with our lives. As we wait for the Lord's work to be finished when Jesus returns to earth to restore God's kingdom, our patience and endurance becomes increasingly vital.

### Faith In Action

Think of the areas in your life in which you feel like you're running out of steam. In what ways can you help build up your endurance and strength in these areas?

### Today's Prayer

Heavenly Father, help me build spiritual strength and endurance as I race towards your heavenly purpose. When I am struggling to keep up, strengthen my body, heart, mind, and soul so I can serve your kingdom.