

God's Beautiful Disciplined Church
Week's Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
Discussion Guide: July 3, 2022

CHECK UP:

Memory Work Review: To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. - 1 Cor 9:22

How did you think of yourself as a missionary this past week?

OPEN:

- What stood out from this past week's reading?
 - o What do you still have questions about?
- How have you **thought** of your Christian life like a well-trained athlete?

READ and ASK: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, 1 Timothy 4:7-10, 2 Timothy 4:7-8

- What do these texts teach us about being well trained in our Christian life?
 - o How does our training both relate to our godliness and to our mission?
- What motivators can we see (and assume) for Paul living a disciplined Christian life?
- What actions can cause a person to be disqualified of receiving the eternal prize?
 - o How can neglecting spiritual disciplines (such as prayer, Bible study, and worship) have a detrimental effect on finishing the Christian life well and/or have a detrimental effect on bearing Christian fruit?

APPLY:

- How could your Christian life be **likened** to a well-trained athlete (such as an Olympian)?
 - o How intentional are you in the way you live your Christian life? Are you more trained/disciplined/intentional in other areas of your life than you are your spiritual life?
- NEXT STEP: What steps do you need to put in place today to ensure you finish your Christian life well?

Memory Work:

train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. - 1 Timothy 4:7b-8

Next Week's Reading:

1 Timothy 4:7-10; Psalm 119:9-16, 97; Luke 2:41-47; Luke 11:28; Matthew 4:4; John 17:17;
Ephesians 6:17; 1 Timothy 4:13; 2 Timothy 3:14-17