

Look Back: What principles did you identify to help you participate in I'll Go Beyond?

Look Up:

Read [1 Corinthians 9:24-27](#)

1. What is the "prize" Paul is training for? What is the difference from the "prize" that athletes train for?
2. What is interesting or challenging in the way Paul describes his training?

Read [Matthew 6:19-21](#)

3. What parallels do you see with 1 Corinthians 9:24-27?
4. Why do you think people store up treasures on earth?
5. How does storing up treasures in heaven work and what does it look like?

Read [Matthew 6:31-34](#)

6. What do these verses say people tend to do?
7. What do these verses say about God and what He wants us to do?

Overall (Discovery Bible Study)

- What do these scriptures say about God?
- What do they say about people?
- How will I apply this to my life?

Look Ahead: Ask God "What amount of generosity would challenge me to trust you more this year?"

Notes

No one reaches the finish line of heaven by accident. Paul reminds us that we need to build our faith and spiritual muscles over time through training and discipline. Our commitment trains our mind and our generosity can train our heart. Our treasure focuses our heart, our heart determines our habits, our habits define our training and our training gets us to the finish line of heaven. The goal is to get to the finish line and receive the eternal prize of treasures in heaven. How are you exercising and developing your faith daily?