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Title: Running to Win
Text: 1 Corinthians 9:18-27

Starting a new year is like beginning a race. We need to enter this new year with optimism. We need to live each moment as if we were competing in a race.

Train Our Spiritual Nature Daily.

Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training.

Read and study God's word

Meditate on its truth

Pray

Cast Off Sinful Habits That Hinder Us.

Hebrews 12:1 - Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles,

Sinful habits, language, attitudes and actions.

Maintain an Attitude of Perseverance.

1 Corinthians 9:26 - Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly

Hebrews 12:1 - let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

Philippians 3:13-14 - Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Keep Our Spiritual Eyes on The Finish Line.

Hebrews 12:2 - Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross,