

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1 What is something that stood out to you from the sermon and why?
- 2 What do I want most in life?
- 3 What is the focus of my life?
- 4 Am I willing to pay the price?
- 5 What is holding me back?
 - How can we be praying for you?



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Paul's Four Keys to Life

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

1 PAUL HAD

Don't you realize that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize? So run to win!

1 CORINTHIANS 9:24 (NLT)

The Lord... delights in the prosperity of His servant.

PSALM 35:27 (NASB)

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish <u>infinitely more than</u> we might ask or think.

EPHESIANS 3:20 (NLT)

Question #1: What do I want most in life?



Upcoming Events

06.11 | Youth Sunday 06.12 | Summer Adventure Camp Begins 06.18 | Father's Day Car Show & BBQ 06.25 | Blood Drive at Rancho Classic Praise



Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air.

1 CORINTHIANS 9:26 (NIV)

An intelligent person aims at wise action, but a fool starts off in many directions.

PROVERBS 17:24 (GN)

You will live guided by ______

or by ______.

...I bring all my energies to bear on this one thing <u>forgetting</u> <u>the past</u> and <u>looking forward</u> to what lies ahead I strain to reach the end of the race...

PHILIPPIANS 3:13b-14a (LB)

Question #2: What is the focus of my life?

3 PAUL WAS _____

Everyone who <u>competes</u> in the games exercises self-control...

1 CORINTHIANS 9:25a (NASB)

To win you must deny yourself many things that will keep you from doing your best...

1 CORINTHIANS 9:25a (LB)

• Compete: Greek ἀγωνίζομαι · agonizomai: To strive fight and struggle

Lazy people want much but get little while the (disciplined) are prospering.

PROVERBS 13:4 (LB)

"Discipline is choosing between what you want now and what you want most."

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Question #3: Am I willing to pay the price?

4 PAUL WAS _____

Like an athlete I punish my body, treating it roughly, training it to do what it should, not what it wants to...

1 CORINTHIANS 9:27a (LB)

<u>I press on</u> toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 3:14 (NIV)

...let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up... <u>We do this by keeping our</u> <u>eyes on Jesus</u>, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith... Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up.

HEBREWS 12:1-3 (NLT)

Question #4: What is holding me back?

Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.

1 CORINTHIANS 9:25 (NIV)

With God we will gain the victory...

PSALM 60:12a (NIV)

NLT | NEW LIVING TRANSLATION, NASB | NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE, NIV | NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION, GN | GOOD NEWS TRANSLATION, LB | THE LIVING BIBLE