

FINISHING the RACE

2 Timothy 4

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- The Christian life is not a 50-yard dash; it is a marathon. _____ is the key.
2:3, 10; 3:11, 4:5
- How can we finish the race?

First, look for Christ's _____.
vs. 1, 8

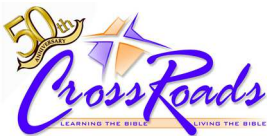
- *“For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”* **1 Thessalonians 4:16-17**
- Are you looking for His appearing? Do you love His appearing?
- If we live every day in expectation of Christ's appearing, it will cause us to live pure and holy, and be _____ to meet Him!

Second, overcome _____ . vs. 2-5

- There will be _____ problems to overcome. vs. 3-4
- There will be _____ to overcome. vs. 5

Third, place your _____ in the right place. vs. 8, 10

- What did Paul love? vs. 8
- What did Demas love? vs. 10
- As our love for the _____ increases, our love for Jesus Christ diminishes.
- *“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.” 1 John 2:15*
- As you love Jesus Christ and keep your eyes upon Him, He will strengthen you to overcome every adversity of life and _____ your race!



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