



YOU ARE CALLED TO BECOME

Live Your Calling: What On Earth Am I Here For? – Part 4

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“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been CALLED according to his PURPOSE. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

Rom. 8:28-29 (ESV)

MY 3RD LIFE CALLING: **TO BECOME LIKE CHRIST**

HOW DO I BECOME WHAT GOD HAS CALLED ME TO BE?

Running Your Marathon to Maturity: Hebrews 12

1. **I must simplify my life.**

“Let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.” Heb. 12:1 (ESV)

2. **I must not get impatient or in a hurry.**

“...and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.”
Heb. 12:1b (ESV)

3. **I must spend time focusing on Jesus every day.**

“...looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith”
Heb. 12:2 a (ESV)

“And we all, with unveiled face, beholding [reflecting] the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.”

2 Cor. 3:18 (ESV)

4. When life gets hard, I must remember the reward!

“Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider Him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.”

Heb. 12:2-3 (ESV)

“And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.”

1 Peter 5:10 (ESV)

5. I must gather a team to run with me.

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

Heb. 10:24-25 (ESV)

6. I must remember that God is cheering me at every stage.

“Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward CALL of God in Christ Jesus.”

Phil. 3:12-14 (ESV)

7. I must take every step with purpose.

“Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air.”

1 Cor. 9:25-26 (ESV)

“Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed.”

Heb. 12:12-13 (ESV)

8. I must realize that what I don't finish, God will.

“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.”

Phil. 1:6 (ESV)

“Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.”

1 John 3:2 (ESV)