



Bird's Eye View

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Chapter 2: The Picture of our Finish Line Determines How we Run

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Key Truth: The finish line.

Key Scripture: *1 Corinthians 13, 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, Revelation 19:7-9*

Have we ever taken the time to ask God why love is the greatest of all things? What did He say? Consider all the things which love is greater than. It is greater than some pretty amazing things - WHY?

Have we ever taken the time to ask God, why to believe, is the first work of God, and why it isn't to do something functional? What did He say? Have you ever taken the time to ask God why the first functional work, is to love Him and others? What did He say?

The answers to these questions lead us to the knowing of the finish line, that God has for His church. As we have already looked at in previous resources. To not know the race that has already been set out before us, with a predestined finish, is to be running aimlessly around, a bit like a headless chicken.

The chicken is running but it's not running in an alignment to the end, it's just running, expending a whole lot of energy and effort, but ultimately going nowhere. We can be this chicken, if we don't know what the finish line in Christ is.

The challenge for many in the body is to ask ourselves, if we are prepared to be a seeker of the kingdom promises in God, which we don't yet currently have any reference point for. One of the greatest struggles for man is to believe in something he doesn't have a reference for. This requires us to hunger and thirst for what we don't yet know, and yet we have been told by God that we have been granted to know all the mysteries of His kingdom.

The eternal prophetic scriptures declare to us what the finish line is, it's just whether we can hear, see and understand them. Jesus said the reason you don't understand my Word is because you can't hear it. This is not to be us. The true hearing of the Word will lead us to the true seeing and understanding of everything in God, which we can now live for. This must be our true reality if the answer I give you for the finish line is in fact going to be your finish line.

It doesn't matter if you are told the finish line over and over and over again, and you can answer the question correctly about the finish line. It will only be when you receive your own revelation from the Spirit engraving the finish line on your heart with power, will you know what it is and align your life to it. This is the truth for every promise in God.

The finish line is a marriage covenant, between Christ and His whole hearted, faithful and obedient people. Only those who died to self and lived in accordance to the faithfulness of this marriage covenant, will find themselves receiving all the inheritance which the Father has for them.

Revelation 19:7-10 Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready." It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. Then he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'" And he said to me, "These are true words of God." Then I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Do not do that; I am a fellow servant of yours and your brethren who hold the testimony of Jesus; worship God. For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

Questions:

1. What is our current reference point for this finish line?



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2. How is this reference point changing and transforming your life?
3. How is this knowledge enabling you to live as Christ and keep His Commandments?

Action point: What are you being made aware of through this resource and is there one thing you need to put in place after going through this resource?