

RACE NOT TO THE SWIFT

Ec. 9:11

Gal 5:7

1. RACE NOT TO THE SWIFT; NEITHER BATTLE TO THE STRONG.
 1. He that endures until the end shall be saved.
 2. Obstacles to overcome: discouragement, discontentment, disappointments, disillusionments.

2. DISCOURAGEMENT THE DEVIL'S NUMBER ONE WEAPON.
 1. Num 21:4-6. A...and the soul of the people was much discouraged. @
 1. And the people spake against God and against Moses.
 2. We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against thee.
 2. Deut 1:21. A...fear not, neither be discouraged. @
 3. Hearing discouraging reports.
 1. Deut 1:28. A Whither shall we go up? Our brethren have discouraged our heart... @
 4. David encouraged himself. 1 Sam. 30:6.
 5. 2 Sam 12:20.

3. DISAPPOINTMENTS AND DISILLUSIONMENT.
 1. Disappointments. Setbacks; things don't work the way we plan; hurts; unfulfilled dreams; shattered dreams.
 2. Disillusionment. Loss of faith in hopes previously held; things aren't as we hoped or as they appeared.

4. DISCONTENTMENT.
 1. Never being satisfied; restless.
 2. Nothing pleases; finding fault with everything.
 3. Contentious.
 4. Contentment.
 1. 1 Tim 6:6. Godliness is great contentment.
 2. Phil 4:11-13. Whatever state.
 3. Heb 13:5. Be content.

5. GATHER UNTO THE CAPTAIN (1 Sam 22:2).

6. HOW TO DEAL WITH BURNOUT.
 1. Set realistic goals and pursue them at an even pace.
 2. Whatever you do, do as unto the Lord.
 1. Not earning your way.
 2. Not for selfish motives; not for laurels and applause of men.
 3. Not doing out of necessity, begrudgingly; but cheerfully with enthusiasm and excitement.

4. Look to the Lord for your reward.
3. Get a new vision.
 1. Pray for a new anointing.
 2. Renew your prayer life.
 3. Renew your spiritual fellowship with God.

7. HOW TO DEAL WITH DISAPPOINTMENTS AND DISILLUSIONMENTS.
 1. Get your eyes off individual personalities; keep your eyes on Jesus.
 2. Man is not our source; God is.
 3. Jesus is the head of the church; man isn't.
 4. We walk by faith; not by sight.

8. NOT BY MIGHT; NOR BY POWER; BUT BY MY SPIRIT.
 1. We need a move of God.
 2. Will not come by the wisdom of man.
 1. Jer 9:23.
 2. Amos 2:14-16.
 3. 1 Cor 1:26-29.