



AWCI SERMON *Notes & Announcements*

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SERMON TITLE: Run **YOUR** Race: Unleash the Winner Within

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KEY PASSAGE

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A Call to Endurance

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off every encumbrance and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with endurance the race set out for us.

2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

INTRODUCTION

The movie “**Pursuit of Happyness**” based on a true story about a man named Christopher Gardner. Gardner has invested heavily in a device known as a “bone density scanner”. He felt could do well by investing and selling these high technological devices. However, they do not sell well as they are a bit better than x-ray but at a much higher price. Gardner works to make ends meet, for his family in the middle of his struggles his wife leaves him and tries to take his son, he refuses to let him go with the mother having been abandoned by his own father at a young age. Fatherhood was important to him and therefore he was not going to abandon his son. He loses his apartment and is forced to live out in the streets with his son. Gardner continues to sell bone density scanners while simultaneously taking on an unpaid internship as a stockbroker, with very little education and marginal chances for winning the advancement to a paid position and is challenged with obstacles from every angle and having only six months training to prove himself and to sell his devices to stay float is based on a true story. Regardless of his challenges, Chris never reveals his lowly circumstances to his co-workers, even going so far as to lend one of his bosses five dollars for a cab, a sum he can't afford. He also studies for and aces the stockbroker license exam. Chris ran and won his race.

SERMON POINTS

Point One: Run YOUR Race with Purpose

Luke 17:21
1 Cor. 9:26
Romans 8:28

Jer. 29:11

Point Three: STOP looking back when the race is ahead of **YOU**.

1. **Looking back** will stagnate your success and growth.
2. **Looking back** will cause you to remain in a state of defeat.
3. **If you keep looking back it will allow the obstacles to overtake and block your view. There is a WINNER inside of you! Unleash HIM and DO NOT CLOG Him from flowing.**

Phil. 3:13

Jer. 31:25

Heb. 10:35

Eccl. 9 :11

BEYOND THE MESSAGE

1. Quitting is never an option when you are in Christ Jesus it is only an excuse. God has never called or seen us any way other than more than a conqueror. Quitter never win and a winner never quits. **RUN your race!**
2. The winner within you has given the greater power to endure and to preserve any obstacle thrown at you. Greater is He that is in you than he that is in this world.
3. Run Your race knowing that your purpose and goal will require endurance and faith.
4. Fixing your eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of your faith. Recognize who you are in Him.
5. “**DO NOT look back**” you cannot re -live what has already happened. Your future is in front of you. Embrace it with joy knowing that He will never leave you nor forsake you.
6. Jesus is our great reward at the end of the race. He is there waiting for YOU at the finish line.

SERMON POINTS

Point Two: Realign YOUR Focus and Faith

1. **Run the race with persistent and determination.**
2. **Do Not be distracted by the things that TRY to weigh YOU down.**
3. **If you lose sight of the mark, you lose sight of the goal.**
4. **Do not run your race in vain but always be focused increasing your faith by staying in the Word of God daily.**

Prov. 4:25 1 Cor. 15:58 Heb 11:1 -2
Phil.4:6-7 John 15:7 Phil. 2:13

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WEEKLY PRAYER EMPHASIS

Evangelism and Outreach – Fulfilling the Great Commission

Father, we lift up the evangelistic mission of Agape Worship Center International. You have called us to “Go and make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:19-20). We pray for fresh passion and boldness in sharing the Gospel. Let our hearts burn with compassion for the lost and the broken. We declare that AWCi will be known as a soul-winning ministry where lives are transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Restoration, Healing, and Unity in Marriages

Lord, we pray for healing, restoration, and unity in every marriage connected to Agape Worship Center International. Your Word declares, “Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain” (Psalm 127:1). We declare that every home is built on the solid rock of Jesus Christ. We decree that AWCi families are strong, united, and thriving in Your presence. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Covering for Children and Youth – Walking in Purpose and Protection

Heavenly Father, we lift up every child and youth within Agape Worship Center International. Your Word declares, “Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from Him” (Psalm 127:3). We decree divine protection over them, especially during the summer months.

Financial Freedom and Debt Cancellation – Hope for the Future Campaign

God, You are Jehovah Jireh, our Provider. We declare that the Hope for the Future Campaign will be fully funded, and the \$225,000 goal will be exceeded. We speak financial freedom and debt cancellation over this house. Open the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. We declare supernatural provision, favor, and financial breakthrough. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Revival, Repentance, Healing, and Deliverance – An Outpouring of the Holy Spirit

Father, we cry out for revival! Your Word declares, “I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh” (Joel 2:28). We pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Agape Worship Center International. Let repentance, healing, and deliverance flow in every service. We decree that strongholds are broken, chains are loosed, and captives are set free.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note: There are multiple ways to sign up for an event. You can scan the QR code, visit our website, or sign the signup sheet in the foyer under the event registration section.

July 6th - Aug. 3rd - On Sundays in July, join us for “**Agape on the Big Screen**” as ministers and guests share God’s Word through movies that inspired them—don’t miss this unique experience!

July 16th at 7:00 pm- Mark your calendars: In-person **Hour of Power returns**. Casual attire is encouraged throughout July. Come celebrate and praise God with us!

July 27th - 9 AM & 11 AM Service- Family & Friends Connect. There will be activities immediately after both services. This is an event the whole family can enjoy.

August 1st: 6:pm-8:30pm Save The Date- **Back To School Bash**

September 27th - Save The Date: Water Baptism

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SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

Sunday School

- Every Sunday at 10:10 am-10:55 am.
- Scan QR Code to Sign Up & receive a digital copy of the Sunday School Book.



THE FOLLOWING WILL RESUME IN AUGUST

Breakfast For Champions: Weekday Devotion & Prayer

- Monday-Friday at 7 am
- Call In: 717-908-1690 Access Code: 577625

Intercessory Prayer

- Every 1st, 2nd, and 4th Monday at 6:30pm-7:30pm

Virtual Midday Bible Study

- Every Thursday at noon
- Call In: (470)869-2200 (US East)
- Meeting ID: 393-678-9202
- Virtual:meetings.ringcentral.com/j/3936789202

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