

## "God's Love Letter To an Unlovely Church"

### "Training for the Eternal Gold"

*1 Cor 9:24-27 Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. 25 Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. 26 So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. 27 But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.*

## The Christian Life Is Not a Sprint But a Marathon and Requires Purposeful Disciplined Effort

### 1. Do You have a Place at the Track – 24

Paul and the Games

You and the Games

There are no...

### 2. Do you have a Plan of Attack – 25-27

How does he run? –

Do you have a plan....

Do you exercise proper

### 3. Do You Want the Plaque In the Back – 25b

*2 Timothy 4:6-8*

*Matthew 10:22-23*

### 4. Will You Heed the Plea To Not Slack - 27

What does "disqualified" mean?

Is Paul fearing the loss of his Phil 1:6

Is Paul fearing the loss of 1 Cor 3:15

Is Paul fearing being disqualified as an example? –

Is Paul fearing the eternal fate of the false preachers - Matthew 7:22-23