



## Discussion Guide

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# The Evidence 2.0, WK2

## I Will Finish

Pastors Brandon Barber

### Main Idea

God has called every believer to finish strong. It brings God joy to see us do our very best, to be faithful, and to finish well. Pastor Brandon challenges us today to respond to God's call and say, "I will finish."

### Anchor Verse:

"The master was full of praise. 'Well done, my good and faithful servant (Matthew 25:21, NLT)

Additional Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:7, Hebrews 12:1

### Mary: Don't Run Alone

You can't finish the race without knowing the race. You can't finish well if you don't learn how to run well. We need to run at God's pace.

Read Luke 1:39-45 and Psalm 119:105.

What is the thing that is tripping you up in the race? Where are you getting your endurance from? Who is cheering you on?

### Esua: Learn To Let Go

Don't let bitterness poison your soul. "But when you decide to break free, you will shake his yoke from your neck" (Genesis 27:40).

Read Hebrews 12:15, Genesis 27:39-40

What root of bitterness is holding you captive? What is holding you back from experiencing freedom?

**Samson: There's Always A Moment**

Samson asked God, "Please strengthen me once more." Our strength comes from the Lord.

Read Judges 16:28

How are you seeking God for the strength of His Spirit?

## SUMMARY

We are all working on our faith from day to day with the goal of running the race, fighting the good fight, and finishing well. The three keys to doing that is by following the example of our heroes in the faith. Like Mary, we surround ourselves with those who will cheer us on. Like Esua, we learn to let go of bitterness and resentment. Like Samson, we realize that our strength comes from Christ alone.

## CALL TO ACTION

1. Pastor Brandon let us know that we will fight, we will run, and our faith will be tested. Spend some time journaling and praying over the things that you fight and run and areas that you are being challenged in.
2. Take some time this week to talk to some friends who are Godly influences in your life to discuss how you are fighting, running, and facing the challenges in your life.
3. Consider serving in one of our mission projects across the Houston area. To serve or to give towards our many projects, you see our web page [HERE](#).

# GROUP LEADER RESOURCE

## **Game: Football Word Scramble**

Party games are something most people enjoy, so in keeping with the Game Day theme this weekend, we've chosen a word scramble based off of the Super Bowl. This particular version was found on the [internet](#) and is sure to exercise your mind. (Hope City does not endorse this web site or it's content)

The printable game is sized at a 5x7, two per sheet – with a separate answer sheet. We wouldn't want anyone cheating (hee-hee).

[Football Word Scramble](#)

[Football Word Scramble Answer Key](#)