



Small Group Questions  
The Great Race, Part 2

**Icebreaker:**

“What is your favorite sport to watch in the Summer Olympics? What about in the Winter Olympics?”

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Review – why did Paul choose competitive racing/games as a metaphor of the Christian journey?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 9:24-27. Paul admonishes us to run in such a way as to receive the victor’s crown. He notes that includes practicing “strict discipline”.

Why is that necessary in competitive sports?

Why is that necessary in the Christian journey?

3. Pastor Jim summarized the commitment and dedication we need as being “all-in sold-out followers of Jesus Christ.”

What does that mean to you?

Would you say that describes you?

4. What do we practice, cultivate and value?

How would you say you are doing in each of these?

5. Read 2 Timothy 2:5. What is the other element of running in such a way as to receive the crown that Paul notes here?

Pastor Jim summarized the acronym JWATT. What does that stand for?

What does that mean to you?