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Luke 18:27

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²⁷ "But He said, "The things that are impossible with people are possible with God."

What do you think goes through the mind of runners during a marathon? It's not unusual for them to think about crossing the finish line. If they let themselves dwell on how long, painful, or difficult the race will be, they could easily fail.

With regard to our aspirations, we would be wise to follow a similar thought pattern. If we permit ourselves to think about obstacles in our path, we are less likely to succeed.

God's vision is for us to share His message of hope with all of the world (<u>Luke 24:47</u>). Luke 24:47 (NASB)

⁴⁷ "And that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem."

Like a marathon, it's a huge task, and many Christians feel "all the nations" is too big of an assignment. Other believers stop because of a language barrier or a safety concern. And some just don't know how to start, so they let insecurity deter them. But Jesus' mandate must translate into our obedience, which means we must overcome any hindrances.

<u>First</u>, it's important to identify limitations that exist in our minds. <u>Second</u>, God's transformation of our own life should be a significant motivation. <u>Third</u>, we need to rely on Jesus' promise of His presence and the Holy Spirit's empowerment. Remember that the Lord said what would be impossible with man is possible with God (<u>Luke 18:27</u>). Once we break down our objections and obey in the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit, we'll be amazed at what God will do through us.

What mental limitations have you put on sharing the good news of the gospel with the world? Ask for forgiveness, refocus on the goal, and tell the Lord that you are available to share and to serve.