

RUN TO WIN
LIFE GOALS #2
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“Run to win.” (1 Corinthians 9:24, Message)

“More than 90% of what is put into our minds on a daily basis is of a negative nature.”

“FEAR: *False Evidence Appearing Real*”

-Zig Ziglar

1. KNOW YOUR DESTINATION.

“We don’t look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.” (2 Corinthians 4:18, NLT)

- My faith is vital!
- God will give me a fresh start.

“GOD made my life complete when I placed all the pieces before him. When I got my act together, he gave me a fresh start.”
(18:20, Message)

- Learn from the past.
 - Live forgiven and wiser.
 - Get back on the journey.
- My faith changes reality.

“NOW FAITH is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses].” (Hebrews 11:1, AMP)

2. GOALS PRAYERFULLY MADE ARE VISIONARY.

“We can make our own plans, but the LORD gives the right answer. People may be pure in their own eyes, but the LORD examines their motives. Commit your actions to the LORD, and your plans will succeed.”

(Proverbs 16:1–3, NLT)

- God will guide thoughtful, prayerful, and faithful thinking.
- God will show you your motives. (1 Samuel 16:7; Hebrews 4:12)
- Use a mix of habit and achievement goals.
- God will give you success.

“Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise (sensible, intelligent people), Making the very most of the time [buying up each opportunity], because the days are evil.” (Ephesians 5:15–16, AMP)

3. THIS YEAR ADJUST YOUR GAZE FOR YOUR HEALTH.

“Let your eyes look directly ahead And let your gaze be fixed straight in front of you.” (Proverbs 4:25, NASB)

- We are learning pandemic time management.
- Daily planning is necessary.
- Be flexible with your long-term planning.

Growthwork

1. BE THE PERSON THAT PEOPLE GIVE GOD THANKS FOR.

“Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. (Philippians 1:3)

2. OVERFLOW MORE EACH DAY WITH LOVE.

I pray that your love will overflow more and more... (Philippians 1:9a)

I grow in love by faith and repentance.

3. GROW IN KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING.

*“...and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding. For I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ's return.
(Philippians 1:9b-10)*

A. Define success as living out God's will.

- Trust God's will

*“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.”
(Jeremiah 29:11, LB)*

- Be faithful.
- Glorify God.
- Do your best.

B. Use the Bible as your moral compass.