

FINISH THE JOB.

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The HARDEST part is the last 20 PERCENT.

3 Truths about Finishing the Job.

1. Don't STOP until you're DONE.
2. Don't SETTLE for GOOD ENOUGH.
3. Don't BOAST in the VICTORY.

Don't STOP until you're DONE.

1 Samuel 14

²⁰ Then Saul and all his men rushed out to the battle and found the Philistines killing each other. There was terrible confusion everywhere. ²¹ Even the Hebrews who had previously gone over to the Philistine army revolted and joined in with Saul, Jonathan, and the rest of the Israelites. ²² Likewise, the men of Israel who were hiding in the hill country of Ephraim joined the chase when they saw the Philistines running away.

²³ So the LORD saved Israel that day, and the battle continued to rage even beyond Beth-aven.

³¹ They chased and killed the Philistines all day from Micmash to Aijalon, growing more and more faint . . . ³⁶ Then Saul said, “Let’s chase the Philistines all night and plunder them until sunrise. Let’s destroy every last one of them.”

- Starting is EXCITING . . .
Progress is ENERGIZING . . .
Finishing is EXHAUSTING.
- One of the reasons we don’t FINISH what we started, is because we keep STARTING new things.

Q: What have you started that you need to finish?

Q: Who can help you finish the job?

Don’t SETTLE for GOOD ENOUGH.

^{14:47} Now when Saul had secured his grasp on Israel’s throne, he fought against his enemies in every direction - against Moab, Ammon, Edom, the kings of Zobah, and the Philistines. And wherever he turned, he was **VICTORIOUS**.

- One of the reasons we don’t experience true VICTORY is because we settle for MEDIOCRITY.
- You’ll never experience VICTORY if you make PROVISION for FAILURE.

Q: What battle do you still need to fight?

Don't BOAST in the VICTORY.

1 Samuel 15

¹² Saul went to the town of Carmel
to set up a monument to himself . . .

²³ Samuel said to Saul, "Because you have rejected
the command of the LORD, he has rejected you as king."

- Don't win the battle with (_____)
and lose the battle to PRIDE.
- The best way to combat the sin of
PRIDE is to practice the art of WORSHIP.

YOUR TESTIMONY: I was _____,
but now I'm _____ . . . THANK GOD.

1 Corinthians 15:57 - But thank God! He gives us victory
over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 6:10-13 - Be strong in the Lord and in his
mighty power . . . put on every piece of God's armor so
you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil.
Then after the battle you will still be standing firm.

Philippians 4:13 - I can do all things
through Christ who gives me strength.

Deuteronomy 20:4 - For the LORD your God is going
with you! He will fight for you against your enemies, and
HE WILL GIVE YOU VICTORY!

Group Discussion.

- What's your biggest takeaway from this weekend?
- What's your 20%? What would it take to finish?
- What do you need to STOP doing so you'll have the time and energy to do what matters MOST?
- What's your plan for staying connected to your Band of Brothers in the weeks ahead?
- Is there anything that God has been nudging you to share all weekend that you're ready to share today?

Personal Reflection.

- **ASK:** What have you started that you need to finish? Who can you ask to hold you accountable?
- **READ:** "And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns." - Philippians 1:6

"Finishing is better than starting." - Ecclesiastes 7:8
- **PRAY:** Dear God, thank you for what you started in me this weekend. I'm declaring in faith, right now, that YOU WILL give me the VICTORY. In Jesus name, Amen.