

Start Presentation

Psalm 84:4-5

**4 Blessed are those who dwell in Your house;
They will still be praising You.**

**5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in You,
Whose heart is set on pilgrimage. [NKJ]**

**5 Blessed and greatly favored is the man whose strength is in You,
In whose heart are the highways to Zion. [AMP]**

Your Spiritual Pilgrimage

Signposts From The Past

- **Walking With God**
- **Obedying God's Word**
- **Seeking A Homeland**
- **Believing God's Promises**
- **Choosing To Suffer**
- **Something Better For Us**

Hebrews 11:39-40, 12:1

39 All these people earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all that God had promised.

40 For God had something better in mind for us, so that they would not reach perfection without us.

12:1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance **the race God has set before us.**

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The Race Set Before YOU

The Pilgrimage Direction

Centering On Jesus

Hebrews 12:2-3

2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

3 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

Colossians 3:1-3

1 If then you were raised with Christ, **seek those things** which are above, **where Christ is**, sitting at the right hand of God.

2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

Romans 8:5-6

5-6 For those who live according to the flesh **set their minds** on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

6 For to be carnally minded is death, but **to be spiritually minded is life and peace.**

Hebrews 4:14-16

14 So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe.

15 This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin.

16 So let us **come boldly to the throne** of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

Matthew 11:28-30

28 Then Jesus said, “**Come to me**, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light.”

The Pilgrimage Determination

Identity FOR Christ

Romans 1:1

1 This letter is from Paul, a **slave of Christ Jesus, chosen by God to be an apostle and sent out to preach his Good News.**

1 I, Paul, am a **devoted slave of Jesus Christ on assignment, authorized as an apostle to proclaim God's words and acts. I write this letter to all the believers in Rome, God's friends. [Message]**

Ephesians 1:1

This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus.

I am writing to God's holy people in Ephesus, who are faithful followers of Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 2:3-4

3 You therefore must endure hardship as a **good soldier of Jesus Christ.**

4 No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

Titus 2:11-14

11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,

**12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly,
righteously, and godly in the present age,**

**13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior
Jesus Christ,**

**14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and
purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.**

1 Corinthians 9:24-25

You've all been to the stadium and seen the athletes race. Everyone runs; one wins. **Run to win. All good athletes train hard. They do it for a gold medal that tarnishes and fades. You're after one that's gold eternally.**

Philippians 3:12-14

12 I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I **press on to possess** that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.

13 No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: **Forgetting the past and looking forward** to what lies ahead,

14 I press on **to reach the end of the race** and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

The Pilgrimage Destination

A Prize, A Place, A Person

2 Timothy 4:6-8

6 As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near.

7 I have fought the good fight, I have **finished the race**, and I have **remained faithful**.

8 And now **the prize** awaits me

6-8 You take over. I'm about to die, my life an offering on God's altar. This is the only race worth running. I've run hard right to the finish, believed all the way. All that's left now is **the shouting—God's applause!** [Message]

John 14:1-3

1 “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

2 In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to **prepare a place for you.**

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; **that where I am, there you may be also.**

Revelation 22:1-5

1 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

4-5 They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.

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The End