

TALK IT OVER

Faith Goals

BOTTOM LINE

You **MUST** set goals in your life to make the best of the rest of your life.

CONVERSATION STARTER

Share about a goal you achieved that made you proud.

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointe.org/thedaily
- [How to Set God-Honoring Goals](#) (3 min.)

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

I know that I am not what God wants me to be. I have not yet reached that goal, but I keep moving toward it to make it mine because Christ made me and saved me for this. ... Forgetting the past and straining toward what is ahead, I keep my eyes focused on the goal so that I may one day win the prize that God has called me to receive through Christ in the life above. All of you who are spiritually mature should think this same way, too.
Philippians 3:12-15 NCV

I do not run without a goal. I fight like a boxer who is hitting something – not just the air. 1 Corinthians 9:26 NCV

All athletes practice strict self-control. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize. So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step. 1 Corinthians 9:25-26a NLT

“You will either go through life by design or default.”

“Let the size of your God be the size of your goal. The question is not ‘Who do we think we are?’ but ‘Who do we think God is?’”

“Goals keep me moving in a clear direction. When you are going through hell, just keep going. The way you keep going is to have a goal that looks beyond the pain to the payoff.”
– Quotes by Dwight Mason

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How is setting goals in your life a spiritual responsibility? Without goals, we start as originals and end up as copies. Do you see that to be true? If so, explain. How can a goal give me courage to take risks? We can set ourselves up to fail in our goals by setting goals too low or trying to accomplish them too quickly. Where is it most likely for you to derail? When I run without goals, I am running in circles. In which of the goal areas are you “running in circles”? The greatest benefit in your life is not the accomplishments you acquire, but what happens inside of your character. Discuss: Where do you want to be in ten years in light of this consideration? What is a first-step goal coming to mind? Now ask yourself: Will this goal honor God? Is it motivated by love? Will it require depending on God?

ACTION STEPS

Because I want to set and achieve God-sized goals, I need God’s Spirit to empower me, God’s Word to guide me, and God’s people to support me. I commit to these steps to do my part: _____