

LIVING MOSAICS



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RUN the RACE



“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Heb. 12:1-2

1. Look BACK



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It is impossible to know how far you have
come if you don't know where you started.

“For we must walk by faith and not by sight”
2 Cor. 5:7

Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Jacob,
Moses, Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah,
Samuel

Sit down and reflect so you can look back on
the love and mercy that He has for you.

2. Look UP



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We are called to run with ENDURANCE!

Base Pace: easy to sustain for a long time

Push Pace: challenging BUT do-able

All-Out Pace: 30-40 seconds MAX

This will be a long run!

This will require BOTH stamina and
endurance!

“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to
me shall not hunger, and whoever believes
in me shall never thirst.”

John 6:35

“Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

Heb. 4:14

We can draw near because he has been
brought low.

-Pastor Paul Kim

He suffered and was tortured as the perfect
sacrifice to make you and me right before
God.

This is his perfect love for you and for me.

3. Look FORWARD



Looking ahead to what is coming allows
you to:

1. anticipate the challenges
2. be excited by the potential

“And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.”

Heb. 11:39-40

“The closing image isn’t of a cloud or a harp or Raphael and his floating cupids; it’s of a city. A city with walls and gates and streets and dwellings and a river and a forest and a culture. As I said earlier, it’s draped in language straight out of Genesis.

‘A new heaven and a new earth.’

‘The tree of life.’

‘No longer will there be any curse.’

‘They will reign.’

So it’s not just a city...it’s a Garden city.

This is what's waiting for us. Not an eternal vacation in the sky, but an eternity of working and resting in this world completely remade from top to bottom by the Creator, ruling over the earth, side by side with Jesus himself, forever.

This is the hope of Jesus.”

-John Mark Comer, Garden City

“So, ‘anticipation’ is ‘getting ready for what God has told you is coming.’

Noah began building the ark, by faith, “in anticipation of a flood when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear to save his family.” - Hebrews 11:7.

Nehemiah discovered this “when Judah’s enemies schemed to stop him leading the rebuilding of Jerusalem’s city walls and gates”
- Nehemiah 6:3...

Anticipation will attract opposition, but remember,
anticipation is an expression of faith, in the face of
the enemy who's trying to alter God's plan for your
life. So, anticipation must be a willingness to take
surprisingly bold risks by faith, when the going gets
tough, and you may feel like giving up. But it's here
you need to persevere. Because when anticipation
has been lost, God's plan is to restore it...

So, don't give up! Allow the Holy Spirit to restore your anticipation for the fulfillment of God's promises and the dreams He has placed in your heart for your destiny, your family, and your ministry...

To anticipate is to position yourself for God's purpose. Anticipation is more than expectation, it's faith in motion. Therefore, your anticipation, and acts of obedience, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit, will bring breakthrough when you take possession of God's promise by faith."

As we cling to the promises of God, we can
position ourselves to live into God's
purpose!

1) Walk confidently.

You yourself are a mosaic!

2) Walk humbly.

“This is gospel-humility, blessed self-forgetfulness. Not thinking less of myself as in modern cultures, or less of myself as in traditional cultures. Simply thinking of myself less.”

-Tim Keller

“He has told you, O man, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God.”

Micah 6:8

3) Fight the good fight.

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing”

2 Tim. 4:7-8

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own
understanding. In all your ways
acknowledge him, and he will make
straight your paths.”

Prov. 3:5-6

Discussion Q's:

1. What is one takeaway from AP that you can carry into summer?
2. Who is one person you want to share your AP experience with?