

## Are You A Potential Champion?

“Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway“, 1 Corinthians 9:24–27.

To become a champion, it is necessary to be prepared to apply a strong discipline into your life.

Every person living on earth is running a ‘race’. Regrettably the numbers who complete the course will be few.

May will start, take a few steps, and stop. Others will go further, and then complain that the training regime is too hard.

For Paul, it was finishing the course God had set before him. Finishing with joy. It was, for Paul, finishing the course to receive an incorruptible crown, through, and only through his dedication to be disciplined, Acts 20:24.

Between a Christian and a sportsman there is very little difference.

Attribute	Christian	Sportsman
Vision	The desire to enlarge God’s Kingdom.	The anticipation of being on the winners podium.
Respect	Recognising that God is able to use you.	Acknowledging that the coaches knows best.
Devotion	To revere God’s Calling for you.	Be obedient to the commands given.
Stimulated	A Spiritual expectation of Spiritual successes.	An expectation of success.
Confidence	Recognising what God will expect of you.	Prepared to meet the coaches demands.
Fear	To be in awe of God’s Calling.	Apprehension of letting the team or coach

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Thus, for the Christian to be a Potential Champion, he must always live in a manner that declares God's Love, and the grace – 'God's Riches At Christ's Expense' – when Jesus opened the door for us to re-enter God's Kingdom.

Every person born is a potential champion, but to become a champion it has to be brought about by a decision of that person.

All Christians who permit God to work through them are champions. All Christians, who do not wait to be asked to visit the fatherless, the widows, the prisoners of Satan are champions.

All Christians who forsake the desire of earthly wealth, but seek heavenly wealth are champions.

All who seek the Life the Son Offered are potential champions.