

Year End Service

DEC 26

with Pr Jonathan Lim GP

SUN@10

at Every Nation Church Penang

SUN@2

at Livingston Tower



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**HOW DO YOU WANT
TO SEE YOUR YEAR
END AS YOU BEGIN
THE NEW YEAR ?**

I Corinthians 9:24-27 NLT

²⁴***Don't you realize that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize? So run to win!*** ²⁵***All athletes are disciplined in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize.***

I Corinthians 9:24-27 NLT

²⁶ *So I run with purpose in every step. I am not just shadowboxing. ²⁷ I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified.*



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**GOD WANTS
YOU TO BE
A GOOD
FINISHER**

2 Corinthians 8:10-11 | ESV

*10 And in this matter I give my judgment: this benefits you, who **a year ago** started not only to do this work but also to desire to do it.*

*11 **So now finish doing it as well**, so that your readiness in desiring it may be matched by your completing it out of what you have.*

2 Corinthians 8:10-11 TLB

*„I want to **suggest** that you **finish what you started** to do a year ago, for you were not only the first to propose this idea, but the first to begin doing something about it.*

*„Having started the ball rolling so enthusiastically, you should **carry this project through to completion** just as gladly, giving whatever you can out of whatever you have. Let your enthusiastic idea at the start be equalled by your realistic action now.*

**WHY DO PEOPLE
FAIL TO FINISH
WHAT THEY
STARTED?**

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FATIGUE
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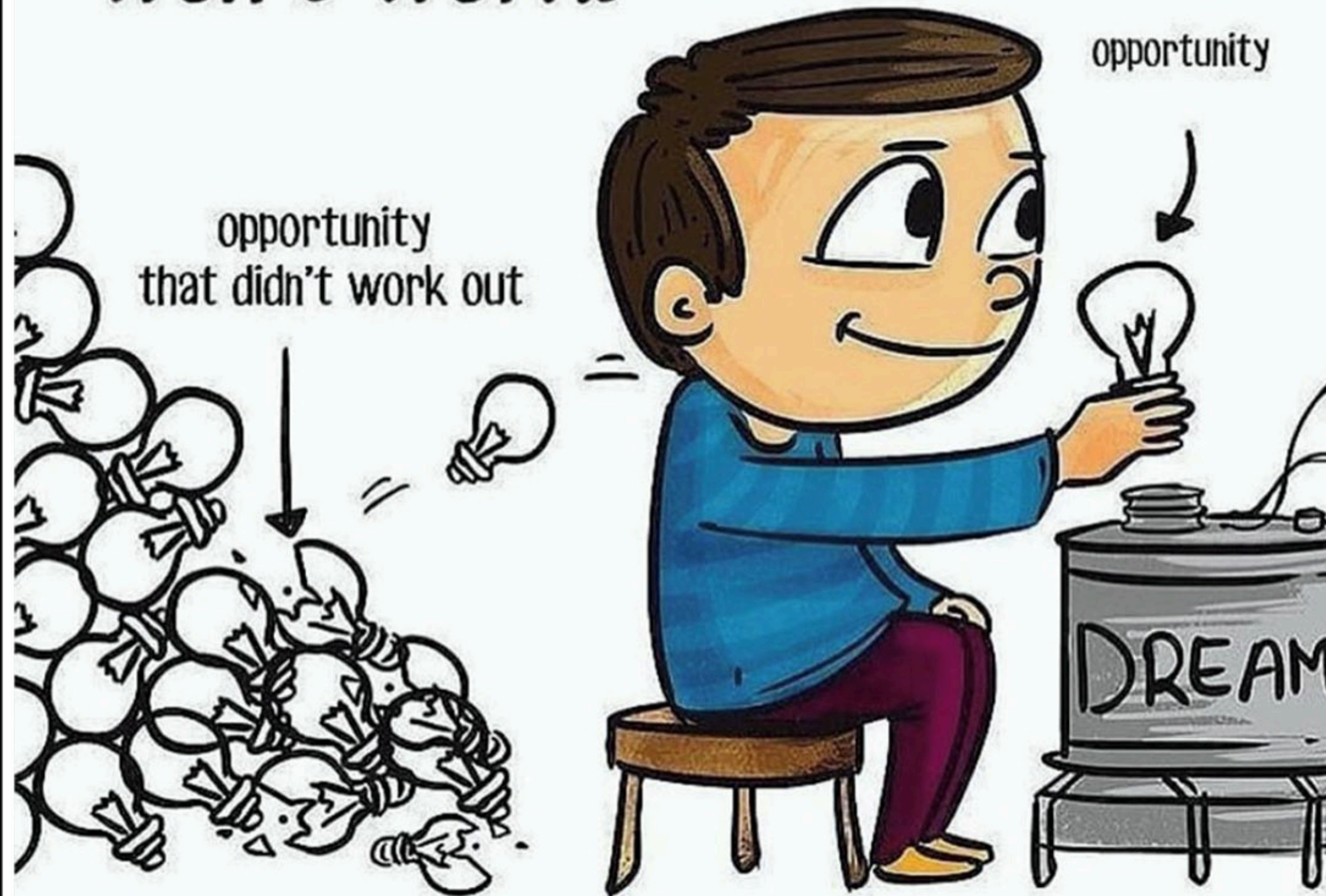
HOW TO BE A GOOD FINISHER?

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Winners are not those who never fail, but those who never quit.

Edwin Louis Cole

I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work. -Thomas A. Edison



**FAILURE
IS PROOF
THAT YOU
TRIED.
NOW GO
TRY
AGAIN.**

**# I STOP MAKING
EXCUSES**

Proverbs 26:13 NLT

*“The lazy person is **full of excuses**, saying, ‘If I go outside, I might meet a lion in the street and be killed!’”*



**He that is good for making
excuses is seldom good for
anything else.**

Benjamin Franklin

Remember

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BLAME

COMPLAIN

DEFEND

EXCUSES



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#2 START
IMMEDIATELY

John 5:35-36 ESV

³⁵ *Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. ³⁶ Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.*

Romans 12:6-8 ESV

6 Having **gifts** that differ according to the **grace** given to us, let us use them: if **prophecy**, in proportion to our faith; **7** if **service**, in our serving; the one who **teaches**, in his teaching; **8** the one who **exhorts**, in his exhortation; the one who **contributes**, in generosity; the one who **leads**, with zeal; the one who does acts of **mercy**, with cheerfulness.

2 Corinthians 6:2 NLT

*“For God says, “**at just the right time, I heard you. On the day of salvation, I helped you.**”*”

Ecclesiastes 11:4 NLT

“If you wait for perfect conditions, you’ll never get anything done.”

GNT :

“If you wait until the wind and the weather are just right, you will never plant anything and never harvest anything.”

Proverbs 27:1 GNB

*“Never boast about tomorrow
[because] **you don’t know
what will happen** between now
and then.”*

**#3 SET YOUR
EYES ON JESUS**

Hebrews 11:24-26 ESV

24 By faith Moses, when he was grown up, **refused to be called** the son of Pharaoh's daughter, *25* **choosing rather to be mistreated** with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. *26* He **considered** the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was **looking** to the reward.



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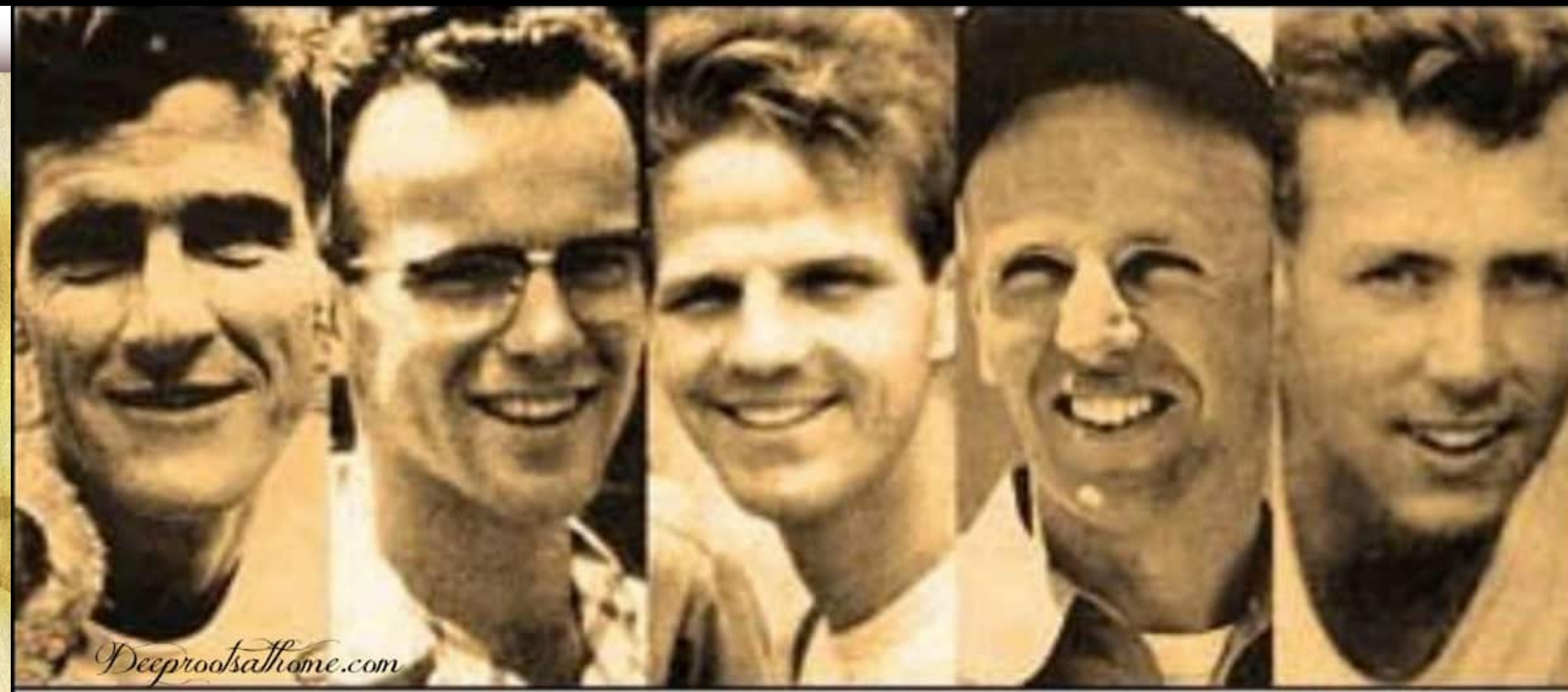
THE “AUCA MARTHYRS”

*He is no fool
who gives what
he cannot keep
to gain that which
he cannot lose.*



- JIM ELLIOT, 1927-1956

martyred missionary to the Waodani of Ecuador



Roger
Youderian

Pete
Fleming

Jim
Elliot

Nate
Saint

Ed
McCully

THE "AUCA MARTHYRS"

Hebrews 12:1-2 ESV

*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,*

Hebrews 12:1-2 ESV

2 *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.*

A photograph of Usain Bolt, a Jamaican sprinter, in a celebratory pose. He is wearing a yellow and green athletic singlet with a bib that says "BOLT" and "London 2012". He has his arms raised, with his right hand pointing upwards. The background is dark and out of focus.

**THERE ARE BETTER
STARTERS THAN ME BUT
I'M A STRONG FINISHER.**

USAIN BOLT | WISDOM FIGHTERS



"My country did not send me 5,000 miles to start the race. They sent me 5,000 miles to finish it."

Tanzanian marathon runner John Stephen Akhwari's famous quote at the 1968 Mexico City Games

**THOUGHT
PING"**

*The story
John Stephen
Akhwari of
Tanzania*

ARE YOU A GOOD FINISHER?

*How are you finishing your race?
How is your year 2021 ending?*

STOP MAKING
EXCUSES

START
IMMEDIATELY

SET YOUR
EYES ON JESUS

**THE ABILITY
TO *STAY FOCUSED*
IS BY *KEEPING* YOUR
EYES ON JESUS, FROM
THE START TO FINISH**