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**YOU CAN
FINISH STRONG**
THE PARABLES OF THE 2 SONS



2 WAYS/OUTCOMES

START | END

WELL : WELL

BAD : BAD

WELL : BAD

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YOU DON'T HAVE TO
END BAD IF YOU DO NOT
HAVE A **GOOD START.**
BECAUSE YOU CAN
FINISH STRONG!

Matthew 21:28-32
& Luke 15

28 *“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the **first** and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’* **29** *And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went.* **30** *And he went to the **other son** and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go.*

Matthew 21:28-32

31 Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The **first**." Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. **32** For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

Matthew 21:31-32

Luke 15

- 1-THE LOST **SHEEP** : V3-7
- 2-THE LOST **COIN** : V8-13
- 3-THE LOST **SON** : V14-24

Matthew 21

Jesus asked 2 questions

V28 : *What do you think?*

V30 : *Which of the two did the
will of his father?*



Son 1:
I will not and later
changed his mind and
went;

Son 2:
I will go but later did not
go;



PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS

Son 1:
Lost direction and came
back;

Son 2:
Was on track but Lost
direction;

HOW TO GET LOST?

There are many ways to become lost

Luke 15

1-THE LOST **SHEEP** : V3-7

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#1 - THE LOST SHEEP

Luke 15:3-7 ESV

3 So he told them this parable:

4 “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, **if he has lost one** of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, **and go after the one that is lost**, until he finds it? 5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

#1 - THE LOST SHEEP

Luke 15:6-7 ESV

6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, **for I have found my sheep that was lost.**'
7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

**The LOST SHEEP was LOST
because It WANDERED AWAY**

THE DAYS OF ROAD MAPS VS GPS



**The LOST SHEEP was LOST
because It WANDERED AWAY**

**It was UNINTENTIONALLY
But it was drifted away!**



**A LOST SHEEP *that* WANDERS
AWAY UNINTENTIONALLY
Wants *to* RETURN
to the SHEPHERD.**

#2-THE LOST SON

Luke 15:11-13 ESV

11 And he said, “There was a man who had **two sons**. **12** And the **younger** of them said to his father, ‘Father, **give me the share of property that is coming to me.**’ And he divided his property between them. **13** Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he **squandered** his property in **reckless living**.

THE LOST SHEEP WANDERED
AWAY UNINTENTIONALLY **BUT**
THE LOST SON WALKED AWAY
INTENTIONALLY.

Luke 15:14-19 ESV

14 And when he had **spent** everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. **15** So he **went** and **hired** himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who **sent** him into his fields to **feed** pigs.

16 And he was longing to be **fed** with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

17 “But when **he came to himself**, he said, ‘How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! **18** I will **arise and go to my father**, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. **19** I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’”

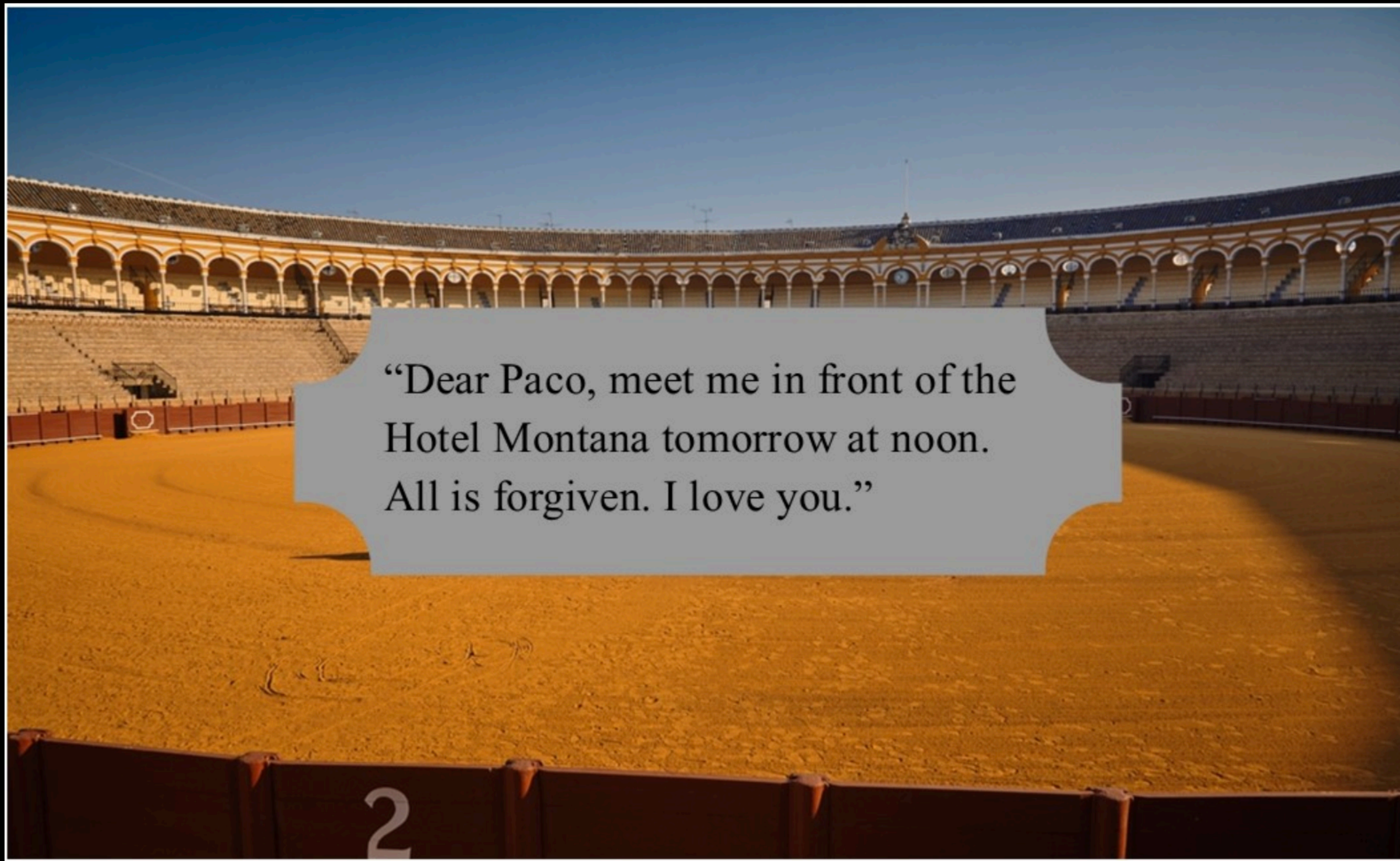
Luke 15:20-24 ESV

20 And **he arose and came to his father**. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

21 And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' **22** But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly **the best robe**, and put it on him, and put a **ring** on his hand, and **shoes** on his feet.

23 And bring **the fattened calf** and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate.

24 For this my son **was dead**, and **is alive** again; he **was lost**, and **is found**.' And they began to **celebrate**.



“Dear Paco, meet me in front of the Hotel Montana tomorrow at noon. All is forgiven. I love you.”



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The world is full of people seeking love. Love of their father. Love of their children. Love of their friends. Love of someone. In Ernest Hemingway's story, "The Capital of the World," a father was desperately looking for his runaway son who wanted to be a bullfighter in Madrid, Spain. The father put an ad in the newspaper offering his son "Paco" love and forgiveness with an invitation to meet him Tuesday in front of the Hotel Montana. The next day at noon there were 800 young men named "Paco" waiting for their father and waiting for the forgiveness they never thought was possible. The takeaway: never underestimate the power of relationships or forgiveness on someone's life.

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#3-THE LOST COIN

Luke 15:8-10 ESV

8 “Or what woman, having **ten silver coins**, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and **sweep the house** and **seek diligently until she finds it?**

9 And when she has **found** it, she **calls** together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have **found** the coin that I had **lost**.’

10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

THE LOST SHEEP UNINTENTIONALLY
WANDERED AWAY, THE LOST SON
INTENTIONALLY WALKED AWAY
BUT THE COIN WAS LOST
EVEN IT DIDN'T GO ANY WAY





Rembrandt Harmensz
van Rijn - Return of the
Prodigal Son
1668

LOST SHEEP
WANDERED
AWAY
UNINTENTIONALLY
REPENT
&
COME TO
THE SHEPHERD
JESUS

LOST SON
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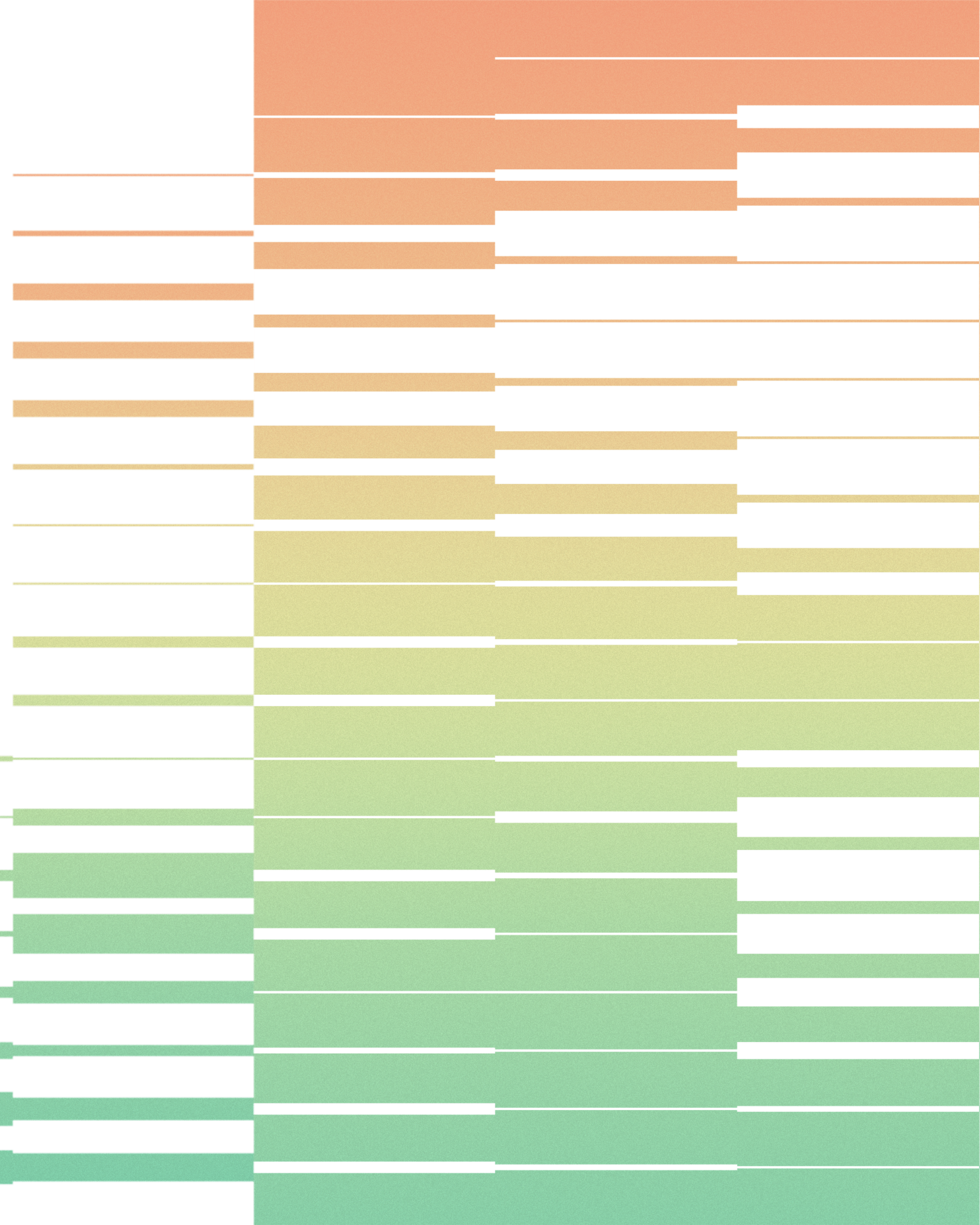
Set Apart

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A Biblical
View of
Holiness



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John Stephen Akhwari,
Marathoner of
Tanzania

1968 Olympic : Mexico

Despite his injury came in last & was limping; when interviewed why he'd carried on and his response has gone down in sporting history : "My country did not send me 5,000 miles to start the race," he said. "They sent me 5,000 miles to finish the race."

YOU CAN
FINISH **STRONG**

Application :

**Have you ever LOST your way?
Is there an area in your life that is
hindering you from finishing strong?**