

# The race of endurance

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Matthew 10:22b (NKJV)

But he who endures to the end will be saved.

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Hebrews 12:1&2 (NLT)

Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith.

## Important ingredients

### 1. Passion

Passion = An outburst of an emotion that is strong and barely controllable. An intense enthusiasm for something.

## Increasing our passion

1. **Ask God** for a deeper hunger and thirst.  
**Matthew 7:7 (NKJV)**  
Ask and it will be given to you...
2. **Surround yourself** with passionate people.

## Increasing our passion

3. **Position** yourself.
4. **Fresh** worship music.
5. Missions.
6. Get **involved** in a ministry that **energises** you.

## Important ingredients

**Faithfulness = loyal & steadfast**

**Loyal:** showing firm and constant support or commitment to a person or institution or cause  
**Steadfast:** resolutely or dutifully firm and unwavering

## Faithfulness

**Proverbs 20:6 (NKJV)**  
Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, but who can find a **faithful man**?

## Faithfulness

**Hebrews 3:1-2 (NLT)**

Dear brothers and sisters...think carefully about this Jesus whom we declare to be God's messenger and High Priest. For he was **faithful to God**, who appointed him, just as **Moses served faithfully** when he was entrusted with **God's entire house**.

## Faithfulness

**Every strategy** for personal growth must include **wisdom and perseverance** to help us **follow through** on our customs during difficult and busy weeks.



## Increasing faithfulness

1. **Value** the fruit of faithfulness.

2. **Abide** in the **Vine**.

**John 15:5 (NKJV)**

I am the vine, you are the branches. He who **abides in Me**, and I in him, bears **much fruit** for without Me you can do nothing.

## Increasing faithfulness

3. **Accountability** – make yourself accountable to a faithful friend.

4. **Surround** yourself with **faithful people**.

5. Set yourself **attainable** and **measurable goals**. (SMART)

## Important ingredients

Keeping our eyes on Jesus.