

*Entering the Promised Land*

**Finishing Well**



# BBTC - An Intentional Disciple-Making Church

Building Depth &  
Extending Breadth

WHY



*This is so that we will*

**finish strong**

*and*

**finish well**

*Study by Howard Hendricks of  
100 leaders in the bible*

**Only 1 in 3 finish well**

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*For those who started ministry  
in their 20s,*

**Only 1 in 10  
are still in the ministry  
in their 60s.**

**Billy G r a h a m**

**T e m p l e t o n**

**C l i f f o r d**

**O n l y 1 i s f i n i s h i n g w e l l**

## Re ve la tion 2-3

*To him who overcomes ...*

*Overcoming suggests there are :*

*Issues to deal with*

*Obstacles to clear*

*Areas to work on*

*Implications of endurance ...*

A person is running on a path, silhouetted against a bright, hazy sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The runner is in mid-stride, moving from right to left across the frame. The overall mood is one of determination and perseverance.

**HOW to finish well ?**



*I Keep on developing **PASSION**  
in your relationship with God.*

***Christ Jesus** must be the central  
focus of our lives.*

### **2 Corinthians 11:3**

*But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent  
deceived Eve by his craftiness,  
so your minds may be corrupted from  
the simplicity that is in Christ.*

*I Keep on developing Passion in  
your relationship with God.*

**HOW?**



*I Keep on developing Passion in  
your Relationship with God.*

*(a) Worship God PASSIONATELY*

### Mark 12:30

*Love the Lord your God  
with all your heart and  
with all your soul and  
with all your mind and  
with all your strength.*

## 2 Samuel 6:12 – 15

<sup>12</sup> Now it was told King David, saying,  
“The LORD has blessed the house of  
Obed-Edom and all that belongs  
to Him, because of the Ark of God.”

So David went and brought up  
the Ark of God from the house of  
Obed-Edom to the City of David  
with gladness.

## 2 Samuel 6:12 – 15

<sup>13</sup> And so it was, when those bearing the Ark of the LORD had gone six paces, that he sacrificed oxen and fattened sheep. <sup>14</sup> Then David danced before the LORD with a lily of the field; and David was wearing a linen ephod.

## 2 Samuel 6:12 – 15

<sup>15</sup> *David and all the House of Israel brought up the Ark of the LORD with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet.*

## John 4:23 – 24

<sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. <sup>24</sup> God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

*I Keep on developing Passion in  
your Relationship with God.*

*(a) Worship God PASSIONATELY*

*(b) Hunger for the WORD OF GOD*



## 1 Peter 2:2 - 3

<sup>2</sup>as newborn babes, desire the pure Milk of the Word, that you may grow thereby, <sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is Gracious.

The GOAL of the intake of the MILK of the Word is to EXPERIENCE the reality of the Promises of God / Word in your life.

## Ma tthe w 4:4

*But He answered and said, "It is written,  
'Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that proceeds  
from the mouth of God.'"*

*The GOAL of the intake of the BREAD  
of the Word is to regularly hear  
what the Lord is SPEAKING to you  
in your daily living.*

## Hebrews 5:14

But solid food belongs to those who are  
of full age, that is, those who by reason  
of use have their senses exercised  
to discern both good and evil.

The GOAL of the intake of the MEAT  
of the Word is to sharpen  
DISCERNMENT as you apply the Word  
to the situations of your life.

*I Keep on developing **Passion** in  
your **Relationship** with God.*

*(a) Worship God **PASSIONATELY***

*(b) Hunger for the **WORD OF GOD***

*(c) Drink deeply from the Holy  
Spirit in ongoing **PRAYER**  
**COMMUNION***

## Ma t t h e w 22:29

*J e s u s a n s w e r e d a n d s a i d t o t h e m ,  
“ Y o u a r e m i s t a k e n ,  
n o t k n o w i n g t h e S c r i p t u r e s  
n o r t h e P o w e r o f G o d .*

## 1 C o r i n t h i a n s 2:5

*t h a t y o u r f a i t h s h o u l d n o t b e i n  
t h e w i s d o m o f m e n  
b u t i n t h e P o w e r o f G o d .*

*P* Pay attention to the PERSON  
*y* you are becoming.

Hebrews 12:1

<sup>1</sup> Therefore we also, since we are  
surrounded by so great a cloud of  
witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and  
the sin which so easily ensnares us,  
and let us run with endurance the race  
that is set before us,

## Romans 8:29

For whom He foreknew,  
He also predestined to be conformed  
to the image of His Son,  
that He might be the firstborn  
among many brethren.

According to Hebrews 12:1,  
there are 2 obstacles to our goal  
to become like Christ:-

a. Our Sinful Nature

b. Our Personal Baggage - Weights



a . Our Sinful Nature

(i) The remedy to our act of sins is  
The Blood Of Christ.


(ii) The remedy to our sinful  
nature is our Co-Crucifixion,  
Death And Resurrection In  
Christ.

## G a l a t i a n s 2:20

*I h a v e b e e n c r u c i f i e d w i t h C h r i s t ;  
i t i s n o l o n g e r I w h o l i v e ,  
b u t C h r i s t l i v e s i n m e ;  
a n d t h e l i f e w h i c h I n o w l i v e  
i n t h e f l e s h I l i v e b y f a i t h  
i n t h e S o n o f G o d , w h o l o v e d m e  
a n d g a v e H i m s e l f f o r m e .*

## Romans 6:11

*Like wise you also, reckon yourselves to  
be dead indeed to sin,  
but alive to God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.*



## Luke 9:23

Then He said to them all,  
“If anyone desires to come after Me,  
let him deny himself, and  
take up his cross daily,  
and follow Me.”

## 6. Our Personal Baggage - Weights

<i>Umet Needs</i>	<i>Unhealed Hurts</i>
<i>Unresolved Issues</i>	<i>Certain Possessions</i>
<i>Unhealthy Activities / Relationships</i>	
<i>Undealt Consequences of Generational Sins</i>	

*Keep your PURPOSE clearly  
before you in your ministry.*

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surrounded by so great a cloud  
of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight,  
and the sin which so easily ensnares us,  
and let us run with endurance the race that  
is set before us,*

## Acts 20:24

*But none of these things move me;  
nor do I count my life dear to myself,  
so that I may finish my race  
with joy, and the ministry  
which I received from the Lord Jesus,  
to testify to the gospel  
of the Grace of God.*

## 1 Peter 4:10-11

<sup>10</sup> *As each one has received a gift, minister it  
to one another, as good stewards of the  
manifold Grace of God. <sup>11</sup> *For anyone*  
speaks, *let him speak*  
*as the* Oracles of God. *For anyone* ministers,  
*let him do it as with*  
*the* ability which God supplies ...*

**Calling - Gifting - Portion**



## Ephesians 4:1

*I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord,  
beseech you to walk worthy  
of the calling with which  
you were called*

IV. Keep on walking in PURITY.

i.e. HOLINESS

Matthew 3:11 - 12

... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

## 1 Peter 1:15-16

<sup>15</sup> *But as He who called you is holy,  
you also be holy in all your conduct,*

<sup>16</sup> *because it is written,  
“Be holy, for I am Holy.”*

**PURITY :**

**Holiness** *m e a n s* **Separation,**  
**Sanctified, Set Apart**

*The re must be increasing separation*  
from :-

(a) The things that defile

(b) The things that do not edify

*And increasing separation to :-*

**The things of God, His Kingdom and His  
Righteousness**

What is permissible for  
ordinarily believers may not be  
permissible for you.

What was permissible for you  
up to now may not be permissible  
for you into the New Year.

V. Keep on being **PLUGGED** in to  
the **WYLLIF** of Christ.

**Psa lm 133:1 - 3**

<sup>1</sup> *Behold, how good and how pleasant it is  
for **brethren** to **dwell together in unity!*** <sup>2</sup> *It is  
like the **precious oil** upon the head, running  
down on the beard, the beard  
of Aaron, running down on the edge of  
his garments. <sup>3</sup> *It is like the **dew** of Hermon,  
descending upon the mountains of Zion;  
for there the **LD** commanded  
the **Blessing**— life forevermore.**

## SUMMARY TO FINISH WELL:

I Keep on developing Passion in your relationship with God.

II Pay attention to the Person you are becoming.

III Keep your Purpose clearly before you in your ministry.

IV Keep on walking in Purity.

V Keep on being Plugged into the **BODY** of Christ.

# CONCLUSION - Finishing Well

## 2 Timothy 4:6 - 8

*6 For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure.*

*7 I have fought the good fight,  
I have finished the race,  
I have kept the faith.*



# CONCLUSION : To Finish Well

Estab lish your a lta r to the Lord

1. *Y*our Passion fo r Him .

2. The Person *Y*ou are *L*o c o m i n g .

4. The Purpose o f *Y*our *M*i n i s t r y .

5. *W*a s k i n g i n Purity.

6. *S*a y Plugged i n t h e *B*o d y - *L*i f e .