

SUSTAINED

PREPARING FOR THE PROLONGED



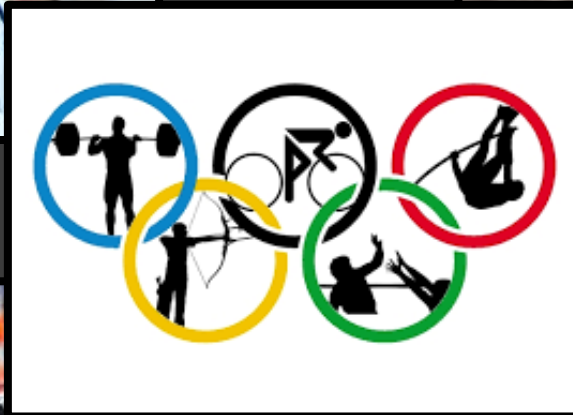
Introduction

- Many adverse things in our physical life happen slowly over a prolonged period



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- Or they require sustained effort to be successful



Be Persistent!

- Much wisdom behind various encouraging phrases in the physical world
- Why?
- Recognized widely
- Make the difference between success and failure



How?



Spiritual Parallels

- ⦿ Many challenges in our spiritual life happen slowly as well
- ⦿ Slow exposure to temptation
- ⦿ Growing weary
- ⦿ Taking things for granted
- ⦿ And such...



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- Not necessarily recognized widely
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Bible Examples

Bad

- Eli with sons
- Solomon and wives
- Elijah
- Jesus' teaching

Good

- Noah
- Abram
- Joseph
- Moses
- David & Saul
- Daniel
- Nehemiah
- Jesus
- Paul



How?



And The Longest Challenge of All

“Be thou faithful until death and I will give you a crown of life.” (Rev. 2:10)



Conclusion...

