

10/7/2018

The Race of Your Life

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You ran well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth?—Galatians 5:7

One of the unique qualities of retired sprinter Usain Bolt was that he not only ran so fast, but he started fast, stayed fast, and finished fast. He never slowed down. He effectively left his competitors in the dust.

Some people run the race of life like that. They'll start out with a bang. They'll run full speed. And they'll end victoriously. There are others who start fast, but they'll slow down. Sometimes they'll even stumble and fall, but they get up at the end and make it across the finish line. Then there are some who start but never finish at all.

Who determines how you will run the race of life? You might be surprised by my answer: You do. God gives you everything you need. He gives you all of the power and all of the resources, but it is up to you to take hold of those resources. God doesn't do the running for us. But we run the race for His glory.

It's really up to you as to how you will run the race of life. You decide whether you're going to be a world changer or whether the world is going to change you. World changers don't march lockstep with current culture. World changers follow Christ and affect their surroundings more than their surroundings affect them. World changers are thermostats, not thermometers. They control the temperature. They set the pace. They think for themselves.

Show me someone who reads the Bible, does what God tells him or her to do, and follows Jesus, and I'll show you a rebel in today's culture. That is what a world changer is.

If you have fallen, if you have stumbled, get up and start running again. God gives second chances. You can still finish the race.

News and Notes

- Family fun night is October 20 at 6:00. Join us for food, fellowship, and fun.
- If you have a prayer request you would like added please fill out the prayer request card in the pocket of the seat in front of you or email prayer@scottsbuffchurchofchrist.org.

Birthdays

Janie Bechtold	10/09	Chris Stillahn	10/12
Lupita Bechtold	10/24	Megan Rudy	10/25

If you birthday has been inadvertently left off this list please let Shannon know.

Those Serving

10/7/2018

Opening Prayer	Jeremy
Song Leader	Tom
Scripture Reader	Tim
Closing Prayer	Jay
Devotion:	Jay

Announcements: Chris

Table: West	Dan
	Center Chris
	East Gary
Preacher:	Shane
Song Leader:	Tom

10/14/2018

Opening Prayer	Gary
Song Leader	Chris
Scripture Reader	Jeremy
Closing Prayer	Shane
Devotion:	Prayer

Announcements: Shane

Table: West	Jonathan
	Center Gary
	East Jay
Preacher:	Tom
Song Leader:	Shane