

RUN YOUR RACE



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SOMETHING TO LIVE FOR... SOMETHING  
WORTH DYING FOR!

A 40 DAY INSPIRATIONAL  
TO FOCUS YOUR LIFE  
WITH PURPOSE AND PASSION

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DEDICATION

**I dedicate this book to the  
courageous generations in the  
Middle East who are determined  
to run their race and finish like  
their Champion, Jesus.**



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I hope it will be a catalyst that will rekindle your dreams and stir up a fresh hunger for God and His word, so that you can enjoy your life with a greater sense of passion and purpose.



# INTRODUCTION

BEWARE – this is a dangerous book.

This book has the power to change your life! This inspiring collection has been written with the desire to help you focus your life so that you run passionately after God. I want these readings to trigger your resolve to give your life away completely and fulfil every purpose of God for which you were made. It is time to run your race of destiny vigorously, ready to die if necessary, but more determined to live life on the cutting edge. God wants a tribe of dangerous people who will give their life away and see His kingdom come. We need to be ready, armed, and dangerous, with the word of God burning in our hearts. We need to pay the price of obedient sacrifice, learn from the heroes of faith who have walked before us, and stand with courage and conviction. God wants us to be part of a new movement of radical lovers who will run without fear, abandoned to the will of God.

Many of us start life with a burning zeal that believes we can change the world with Jesus, but then fears and excuses distract us, causing us to lose our focus and doubt our ability to run this race of life. If you sometimes feel like this, I have written this set of devotions for you. Allow God to breathe His life into your being



**2 Timothy 4:7**

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

## *Something to live for...*

and reawaken your sense of destiny and purpose. Let your dreams and passions be expressed, do not hide them any longer. Listen to the shout of heaven and the heroes who have lived before us, and take your place in history. Decide that this is the time for **you** to run your race!

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

**Hebrews 12:1-2**

Experts tell us that it takes three weeks of concerted effort to break a negative pattern of behaviour and a total of six weeks to establish a new pattern and lifestyle. So, this will be forty days (six weeks) of “medicine” from the word of God specifically designed to help you re-establish your priorities to be in alignment with the call of God on your life. Decide today to read a dangerous book and let the word of God activate your passion for Jesus again.

So let us pray:

Father, I want to dedicate these forty days to You. I desire to serve You without fear. I want to give my life away for kingdom purpose,



to touch nations, and to minister to people.

I know that as I take this focused time to talk to You about the passions of my heart You will meet with me. So, stir my heart to love You more deeply and serve You more completely. Fill me with a fresh sense of purpose and courage. Reveal Your plans for my life. Let me walk with You in a new level of intimacy and obedience.

Thank You for my race of destiny. Let me focus my eyes on the race before me and complete this race like a champion. Father, I thank You that You made me to run and finish excellently!

Activate me, reignite me, accelerate me into every purpose. Amen.

So what is the next step? These meditations have been written as a forty-day series, with a fresh challenge each week. Each of these challenges will focus on an aspect of your character and will train you to be a better champion in this race of life.

The six challenges are as follows:

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- Week 1 – Dedicated Heroes
- Week 2 – Determined Courage
- Week 3 – Devoted to Purity
- Week 4 – Disciplined Sacrifice
- Week 5 – Dangerous Passion
- Week 6 – Destined as Champions



Each day you will read a portion of Scripture, activate your purpose and then release your heart cry to God in prayer. You should try to find a place where you can be alone and focus as you do this. If possible, first deal with any situation that could interrupt you: turn your phone off and make this your time to concentrate on your mission! Later, towards the end of the week, find time to read all the devotions for the topic in one sitting and let the challenge of the week stir your spirit.

I believe that as you do this, you will watch the word of God begin to refocus your vision and ignite your passion. The word will reawaken your destiny, enable you to think clearly, and teach you to take back what the enemy has stolen through your fear or disobedience.

So let us run the race of our life and cross the finishing line like champions!

**Rachel Hickson**