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Bible Study

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“Focus On Finishing What You Started”

Luke 9:51-62

Philippians 1:6 reads, “*And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.*” (NLT) This verse records an encouraging promise to believers about God from the pen of Paul the Apostle. Most individuals can identify times in their lives when they started a project Christian strong but never completed the task. Many times, the main issue which kept people from reaching their goals was a lack of focus. This lesson is designed to share what can greatly help Christians finish what they start.

Breakdown of Luke Chapter 9

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| 1. What Happened Before | the Transfiguration | Verses 1-27 |
| 2. What Happened During | the Transfiguration | Verses 28-36 |
| 3. What Happened After | the Transfiguration | Verses 37-62 |

1. **Determination** can greatly help believers to finish what they started.
Verse 51
“When the time was coming near for Jesus to depart, he was determined to go to Jerusalem.” (NCV)
2. **Preparation** can greatly help believers to finish what they started.
Verse 52
“He sent some messengers ahead of him, who went into a town in Samaria to make everything ready for him.” (NCV)
3. **Identification** can greatly help believers to finish what they started.
Verses 53-56
“But the people there would not welcome him, because he was set on going to Jerusalem. 54) When James and John, followers of Jesus, saw this, they said, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven and destroy those people?” 55) But Jesus turned and scolded them. [And Jesus said, “You don’t know what kind of spirit you belong to. 56) The Son of Man did not come to destroy the souls of people but to save them.”] Then they went to another town.” (NCV)

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