I. **Procrastinating** - To put off doing something for later that we should do now

A. Why do we put it off? Why don’t we finish?
   1. **Skill deficiency** - Knowledge or skill deficit is not a permanent obstacle
   2. **Lack of Interest** - Not your favorite thing to do
   3. **Lack of Motivation** - Lose sight of the why and end result
   4. **Fear of Failure** - Do not want to make mistakes; failure becomes identity
   5. **Fear of Success** - More pressure and expectation; Higher expectations and demands
   6. **Resistance/Rebellion** - Don’t like to be told what to do

II. **Becoming a great finisher:**

A. **ENTRY** - Know your goal and take the steps to get started
B. **ENDURANCE** - Overcome opposition and temptation to quit
C. **ENDING** - Don’t quit or give up until finished

III. **Jesus - Great Finisher - John 19:17-30**

A. **ENTRY** - Jesus had a goal
   1. **Gal 4:4-5** 4 But when the *fullness of the time* had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.
      a) **1 John 3:5** 5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin.
   2. **Luke 19:10** 10 for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost
      a) Luke 15 - Lost sheep, lost coin, lost son

B. **ENDURANCE** - Jesus had opposition and tempted to quit
   1. **Luke 22:41-44** - Jesus was in agony wanting to quit
   2. **Heb 12:2** - Author and FINISHER endured the pain
   3. **Acts 20:23-24** - None of these things move me; finish my race with joy!

C. **ENDING** - Jesus didn’t quit or give up until it was FINISHED!
   1. **John 4:34** 34…My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.
   2. **John 19:30** - It is Finished!
      a) **Finished** - *teleo* - To bring an activity to a successful finish - To complete, to end, to accomplish; To reach a goal, point aimed at, target
   3. **2 Tim 4:7** 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
IV. **Summary**

A. **Are you finished?**

1. **Gal 6:9** And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

B. **Is God finished?**

1. **Phil 1:6** being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.