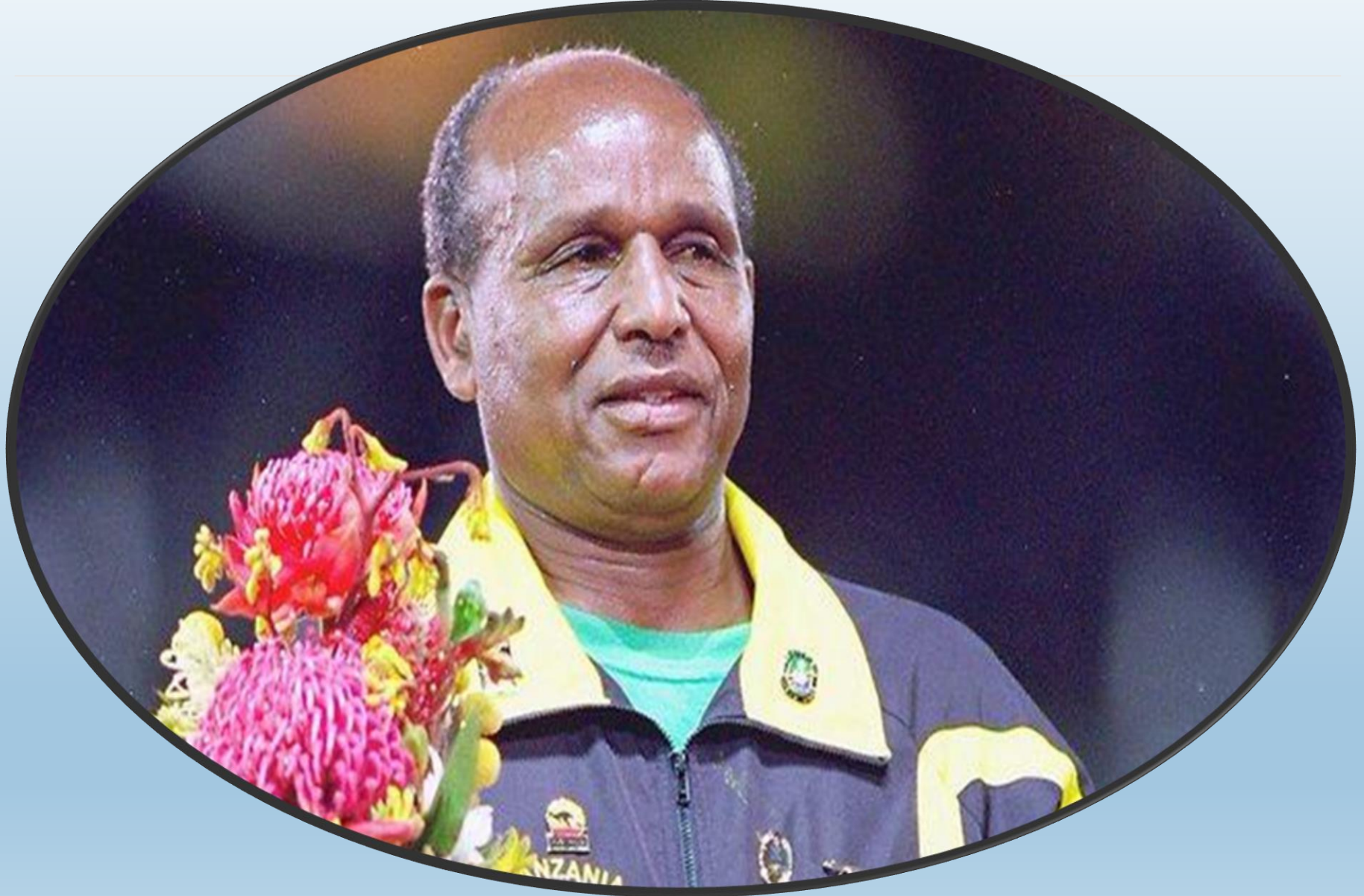


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Finish The Race!

2Ti 4:7-8 ESV I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. (8) Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

Stumbling Blocks

Heb 12:1 ESV Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

Stumbling Blocks

Discontentment

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1Ti 6:8 ESV But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.

Gen 3:5 ESV For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Stumbling Blocks

Discontentment

Disappointment

Stumbling Blocks

Disappointment

Luk 22:31-34 ESV “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, (32) but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.” (33) Peter said to him, “Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death.” (34) Jesus said, “I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know me.”

Stumbling Blocks

Discontentment

Disappointment

Discouragers

Stumbling Blocks

Discouragers

Job 2:9 ESV Then his wife said to him, “Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die.”

1Co 15:33 ESV Do not be deceived: “Bad company ruins good morals.”

Courage To Finish The Race

Things To Do:

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Things To Do: Surround Yourself With “Load Bearers”.

Gal 6:2 ESV Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Remember Peter – Luke 22:54-60

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Things To Do: Surround Yourself With
“Encouragers”.

1Th 5:11 ESV Therefore encourage one another
and build one another up, just as you are doing.

Hebrews 10:25 Encouragement is one of the
purposes of our public worship assemblies.

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Things To Do: Instill the Christian Graces in your heart.

2Pe 1:5-8 ESV For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, (6) and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, (7) and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. (8) For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Things To Do: Instill the Christian Graces in your heart.

2Pe 1:10 ESV Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.

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Things To Do: Pray.

Luk 22:31 ESV “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat,

Luk 22:40 ESV And when he came to the place, he said to them, “Pray that you may not enter into temptation.”

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Things To Do: Repent and Confess Sin.

Luk 22:32 ESV ...And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”

1Jn 1:8-9 ESV If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. (9) If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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Things To Remember:

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Things To Remember: Christ

2Ti 2:8 ESV Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel,

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Things To Remember: Christ

Heb 12:2-3 ESV looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. (3) Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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Things To Remember: Others

Heb 12:1 ESV Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

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Things To Remember: Prayers Offered For Us.

By Others - 1Th 1:2 ESV We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,

Luk 22:31-32 ESV “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, (32) but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”

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Things To Remember: Goal.

Php 3:14 ESV I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

2Ti 4:7-8 ESV I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. (8) Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

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