

# Marathon

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Few traditional career tactics train us for an era where the most important skill is the ability to acquire new skills.

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"Go down ahead of me to Gilgal. I will surely come down to you to sacrifice burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, *but you must wait seven days until I come to you and tell you what you are to do*."

## 1 Samuel 10:8

He waited seven days, the time appointed by Samuel. But Samuel did not come to Gilgal, and the people were scattering from him. So Saul said, "Bring the burnt offering here to me, and the peace offerings." And he offered the burnt offering. **1 Samuel 13:8-9** 

As soon as he had finished offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came. And Saul went out to meet him and greet him. Samuel said, "What have you done?" And Saul said, "When I saw that the people were scattering from me, and that you did not come within the days appointed, and that the Philistines had mustered at Michmash, I said, 'Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not sought the favor of the Lord.' So I forced myself, and offered the burnt offering." **1 Samuel 13:10-12** 

And Samuel said to Saul, "You have done foolishly." **1 Samuel 13:13** 

See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. You also, be patient. James 5:7

I have not so great a struggle with my vices, great and numerous as they are, as I have with my impatience. My efforts are not absolutely useless; yet I have never been able to conquer this ferocious wild beast. John Calvin

# Christ was chosen *before the creation of the world*, but was revealed *in these last times* for *your sake*.

# 1 Peter 1:20

But when the *set time* had fully come, *God sent his Son*, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. **Galatians 4:5** 

Be diligent [absorbed] in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress.

#### 1 Timothy 4:15

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

# 1 Corinthians 2:10-11

This is what the Lord says: "Let not the wise man boast of his *wisdom* or the strong man boast of his *strength* or the rich man boast of his *riches*, but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares the Lord.

#### Jeremiah 9:23-24

I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:5

Let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9