



## Finish: Together | January 17, 2018

### Discussion Guide

#### The Scoop

What if the key to accomplishing more this year is to find someone to achieve things alongside of?

#### Key Verse

**Galatians 6:2 (NIV)**

*Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.*

#### Discussion

Most of us experienced team sports when we are kids, band, theater, or some kind of group/team activity. One of the biggest reasons parents have their children participate in things of this nature is the sense of camaraderie. We can work alongside others, and they can work alongside us as we each help each other accomplish a common goal. Unfortunately, as we get older and our days of youth pass, it becomes easier and easier to believe that we have to accomplish our goals on our own.

1. Did you do anything growing up that fostered a sense of camaraderie and working together for a common goal?
2. What are some of the key take-aways from doing something as a team?

We have discussed three of the key points in Jon Acuff's book *Finish*. Those three points were: permission to fail, allowing yourself to not be perfect, and making accomplishment fun. In his book, Jon Acuff goes on to say that if we begin to do these three prior keys it will undoubtedly bring us closer to finishing, but in the end it will leave us short. If we don't accomplish with others, a large void still remains.

3. Do you regularly seek to accomplish goals with others? Who else knows about your desires and goals?
4. What are some ways that you could invite others to achieve goals along with you?

God designed us to be connected with others. Galatians 6:2 suggests that we need to let others in on our life to spur us on, help us in need, and celebrate together when we accomplish. When we share joy it multiplies, and when we share burdens they are halved. Spiritual growth is not meant to be done alone.

5. Do you sometimes feel like your approach your spiritual life alone? Why?
6. What are some new ways you can reach out to others to share your faith, your accomplishments, and your struggles?

#### What's Next?

As you go into this week, don't do it alone. Don't always pray alone. Don't try to accomplish alone. Find people with whom you can live, accomplish, celebrate, struggle, and grow. As you continue to seek growth and accomplishment, it will mean much more when done alongside others, and your results will most likely go up.