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Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.

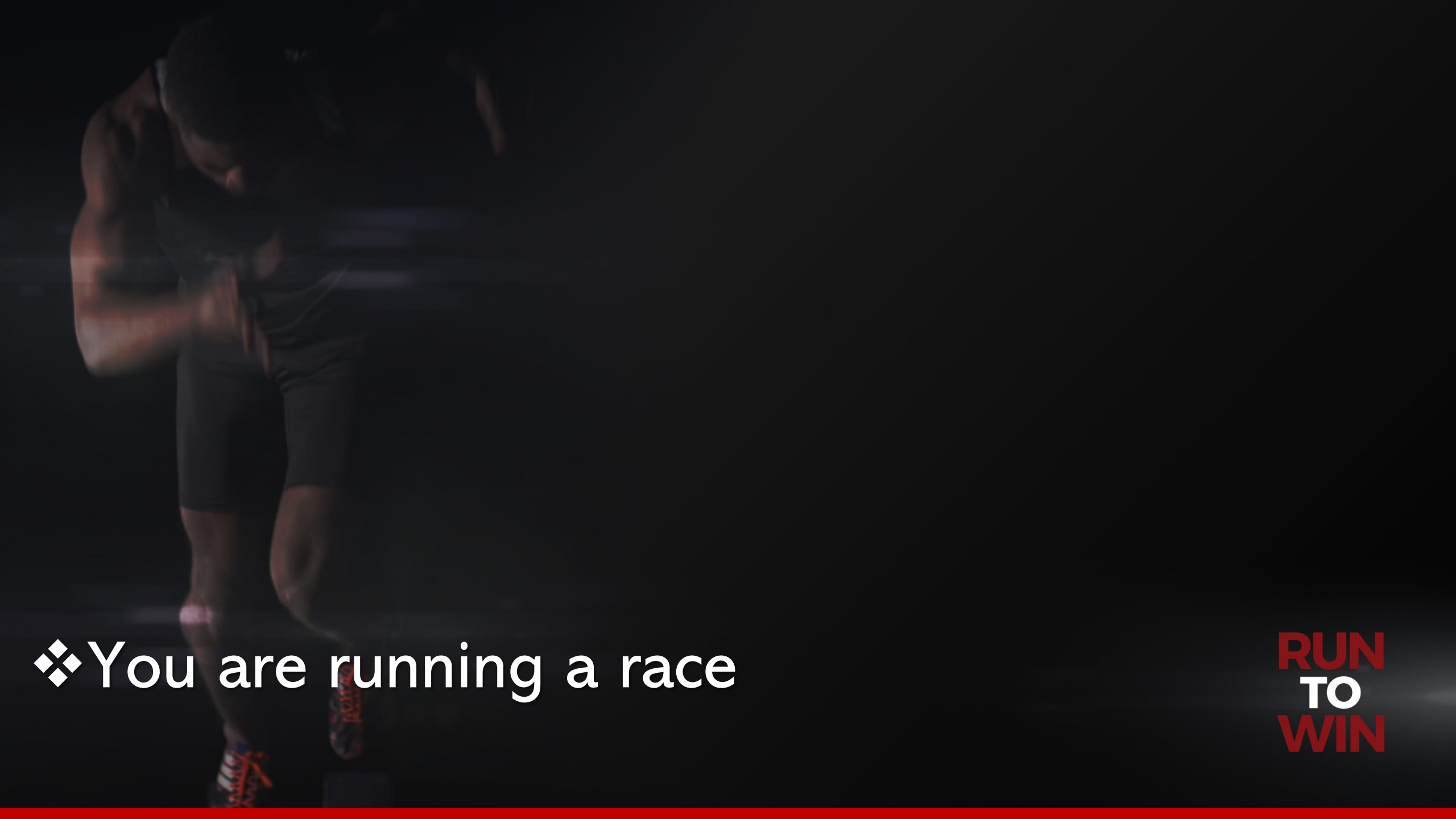
*1 Corinthians 9:24–27 (NIV)*

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Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly;  
I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a  
blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I  
have preached to others, I myself will not be  
disqualified for the prize.

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❖ You are running a race

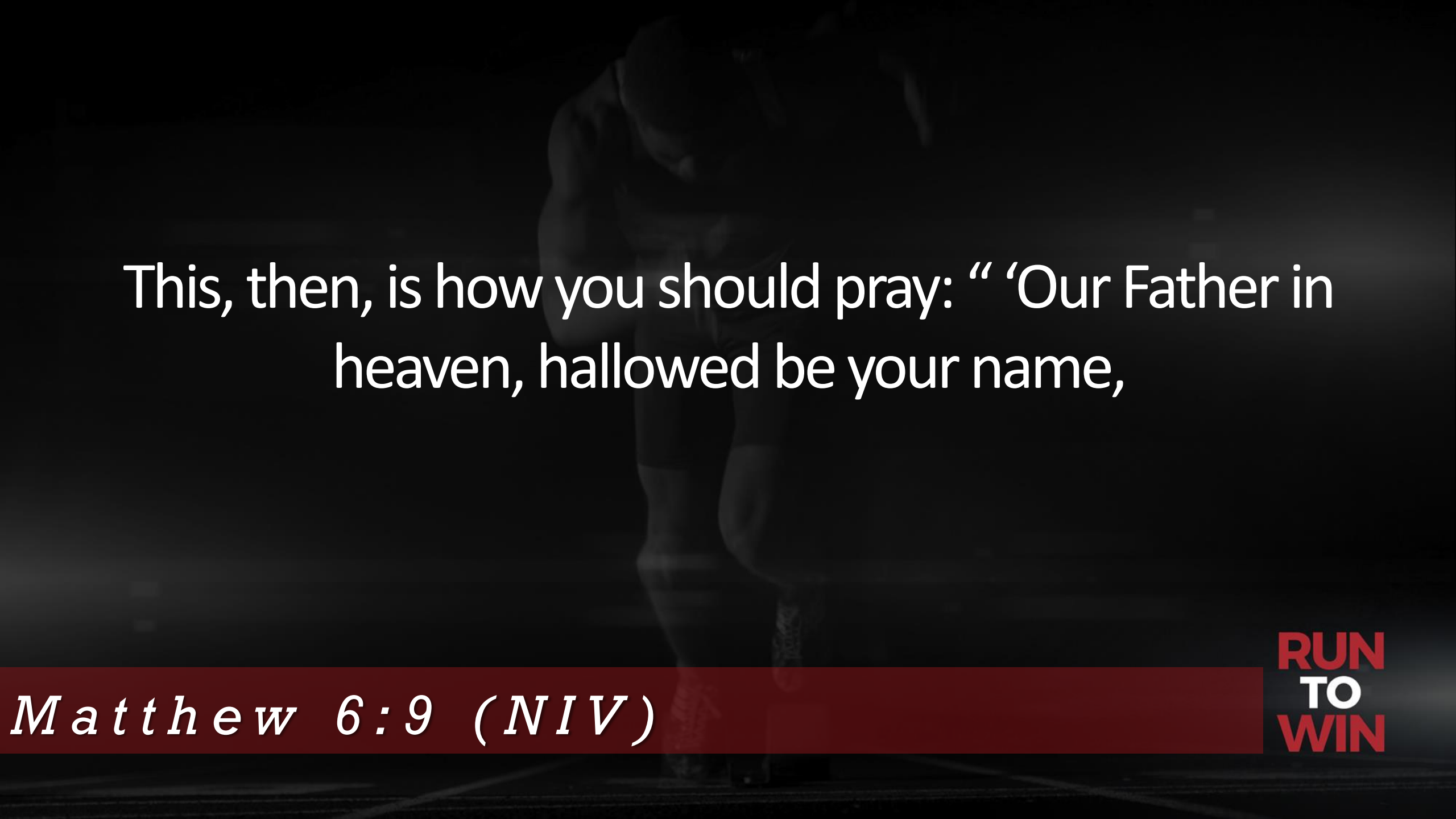
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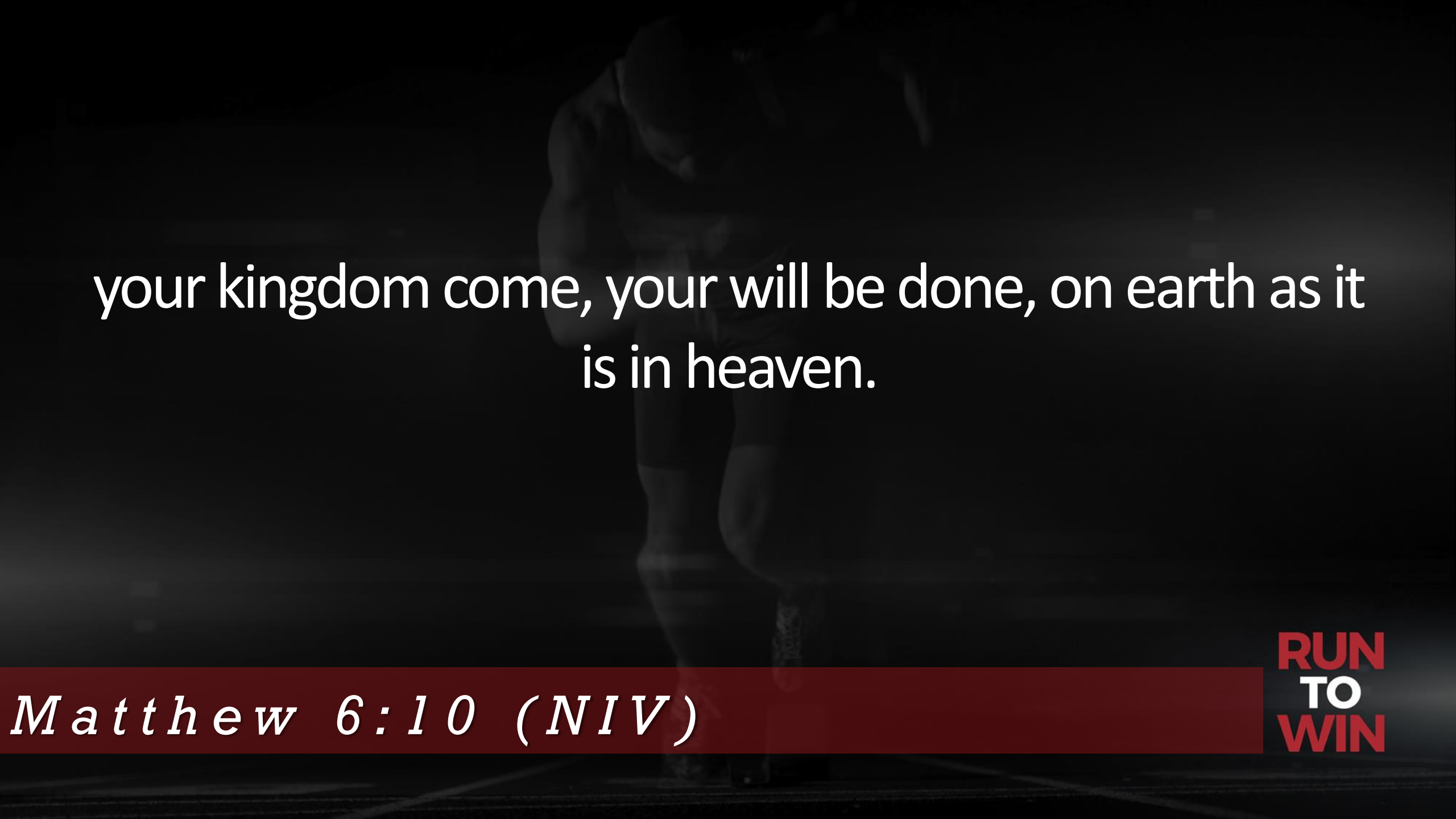
Your comfort level with God will depend on how well you know Him.



This, then, is how you should pray: “ ‘Our Father in  
heaven, hallowed be your name,

*Matthew 6:9 (NIV)*

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your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it  
is in heaven.

*Matthew 6:10 (NIV)*

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Now is the time for judgment on this world; now **the prince of this world** will be driven out.

*John 12:31 (NIV)*

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We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one.

*1 John 5:19 (NIV)*

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The thief comes only **to steal and kill and destroy**; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

*John 10:10 (NIV)*

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And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,  
“Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people,  
and he will dwell with them. They will be his people,  
and God himself will be with them and be their God.  
‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be  
no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the  
old order of things has passed away.”

*Revelation 21:3–4 (NIV)*

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The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

*Isaiah 11:5-9 (NIV)*

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The infant will play near the cobra's den, the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

*Isaiah 11:5-9 (NIV)*

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When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

*James 4:3 (NIV)*

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Jesus answered, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

When the young man heard this, **he went away sad**, because he had great wealth.

*Matthew 19:16–22 (NIV)*

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“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

*Matthew 13:45–46 (NIV)*

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He is no fool who gives  
what he cannot keep to gain  
that which he cannot lose.

Jim Elliot

quotefancy



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We are afraid to lose what we have because we don't fully understand what we will gain.

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, **I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.**

*John 14:1–3 (NIV)*

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... This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

*Acts 1:8-11 (NIV)*

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For the Lord himself will come down from heaven,  
with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel  
and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in  
Christ will rise first.

*1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 (NIV)*

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After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. **Therefore encourage one another with these words.**

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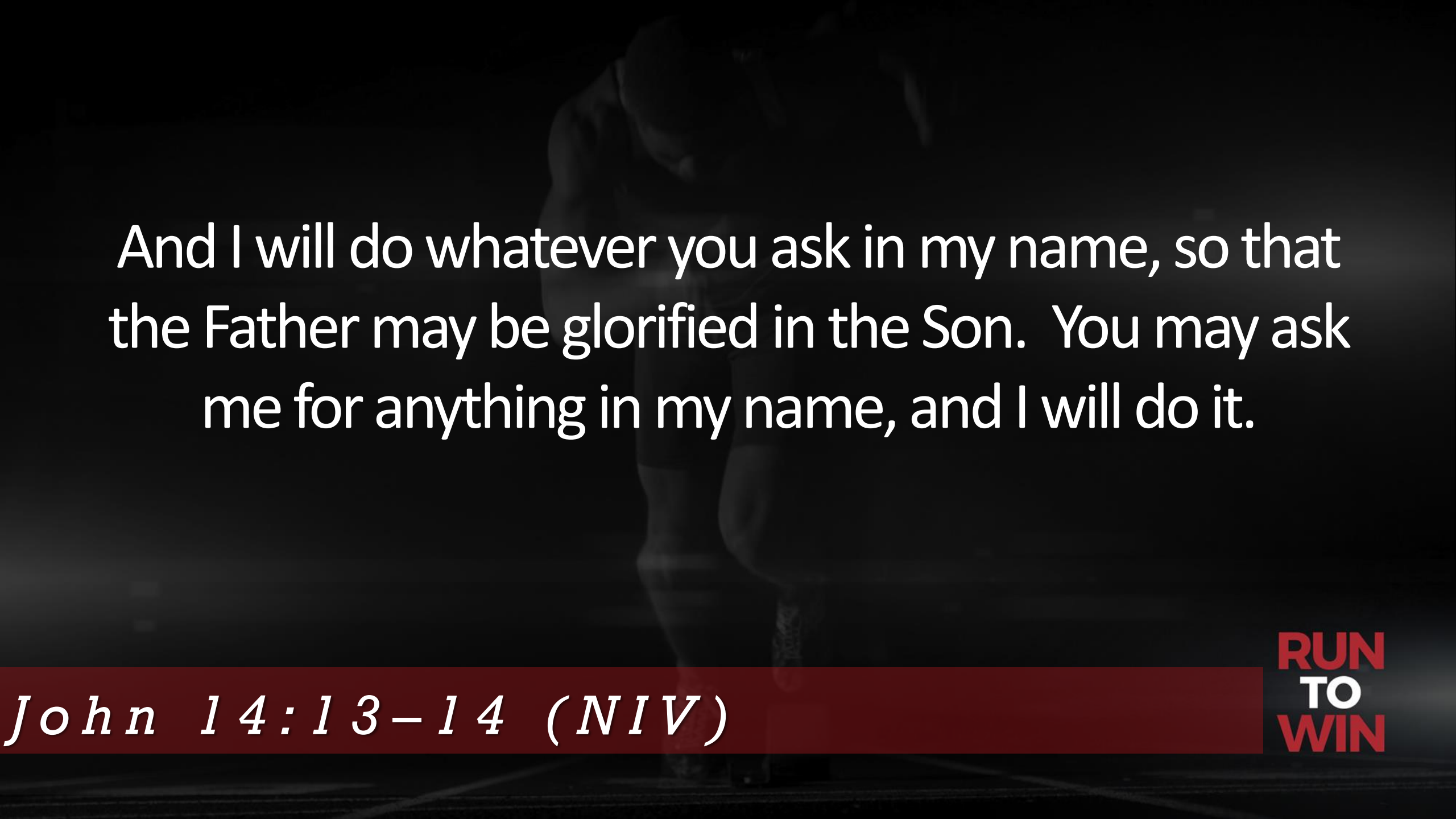


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And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

*John 14:13-14 (NIV)*

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If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

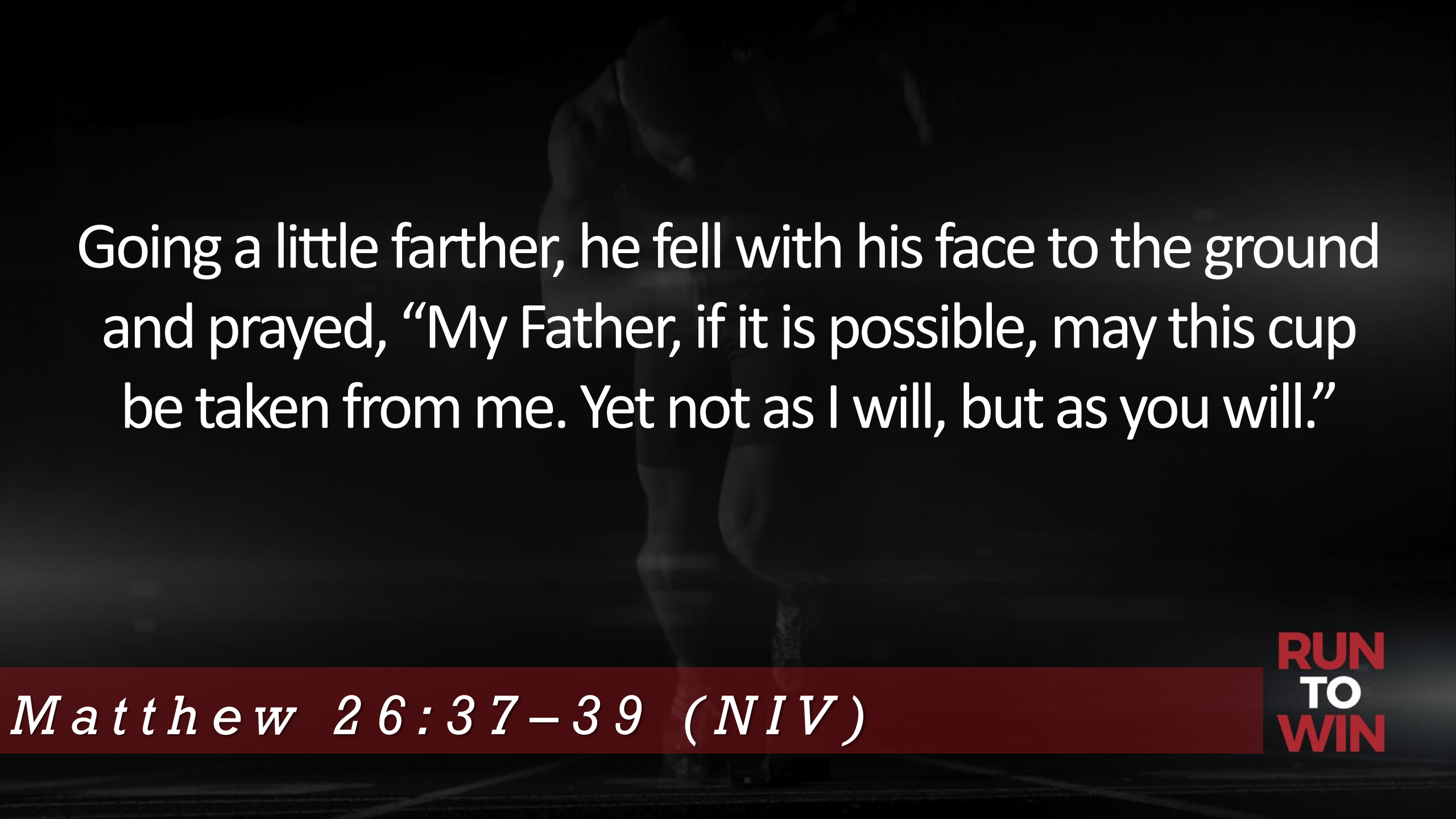
*Matthew 26:37–39 (NIV)*

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He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

*Matthew 26:37–39 (NIV)*

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Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

*Matthew 26:37–39 (NIV)*

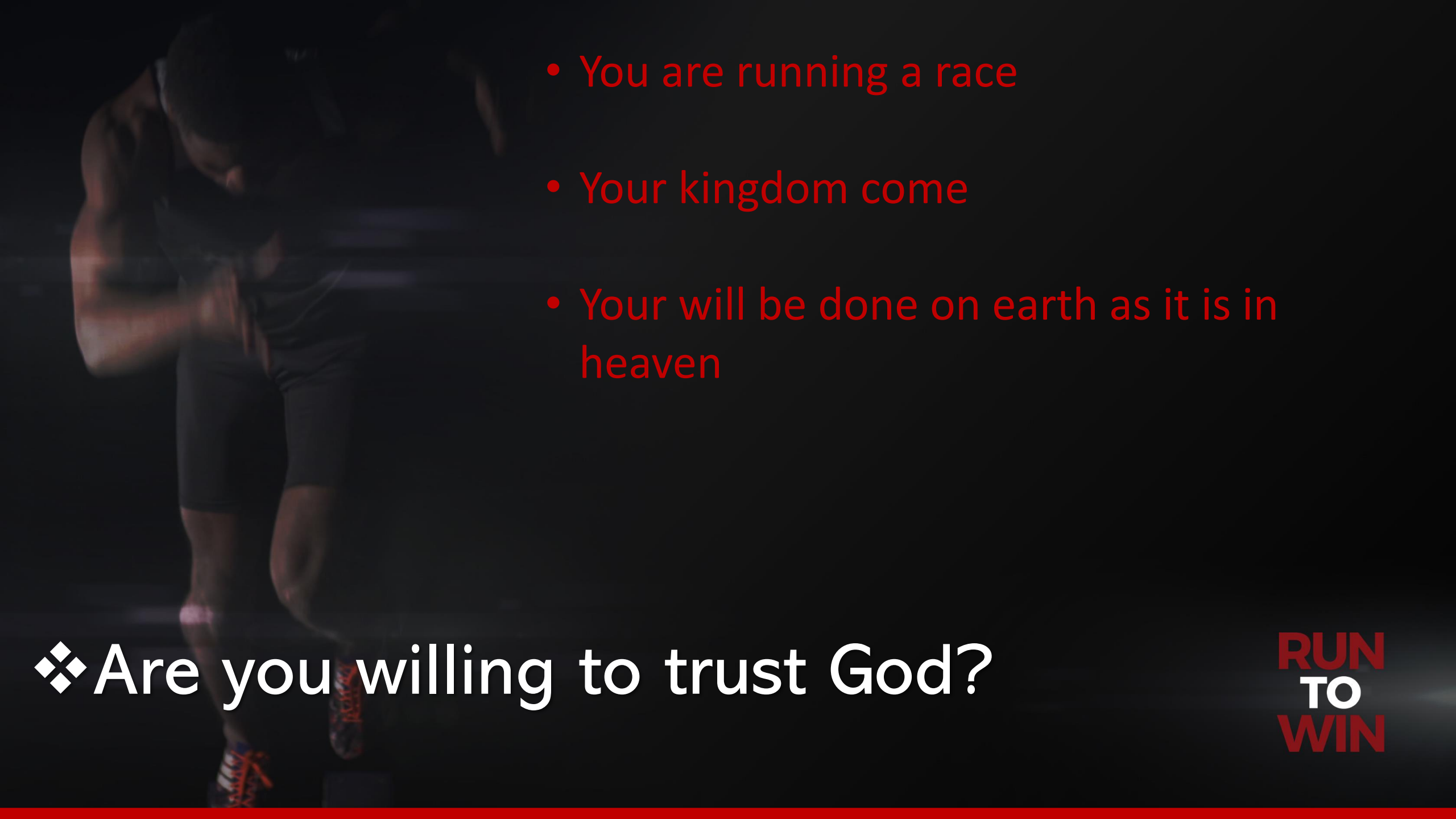
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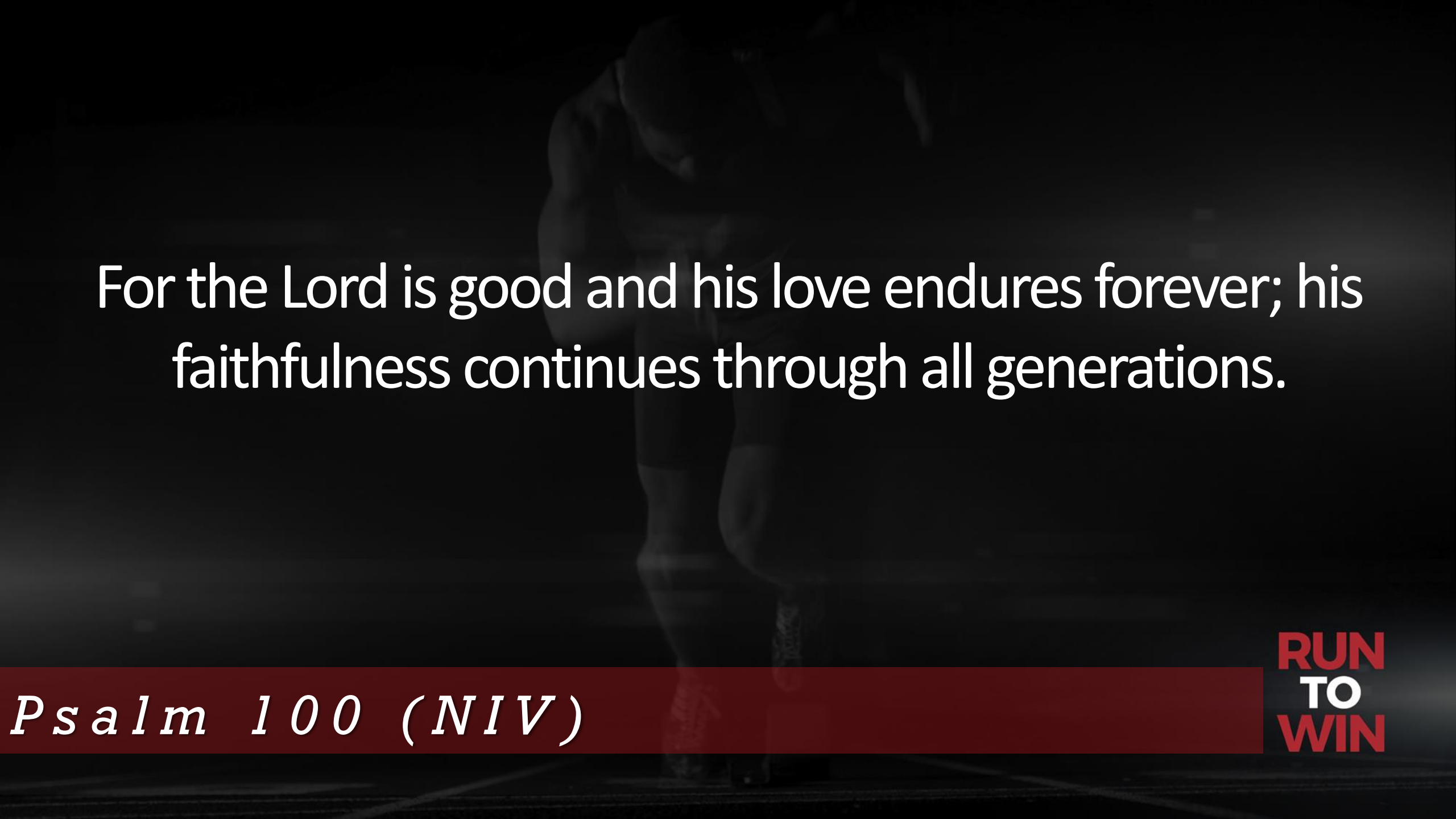
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I will bring my requests to you, but I will also trust that you know the best way to answer my prayer... even if it is not what I asked for.

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❖ Are you willing to trust God?

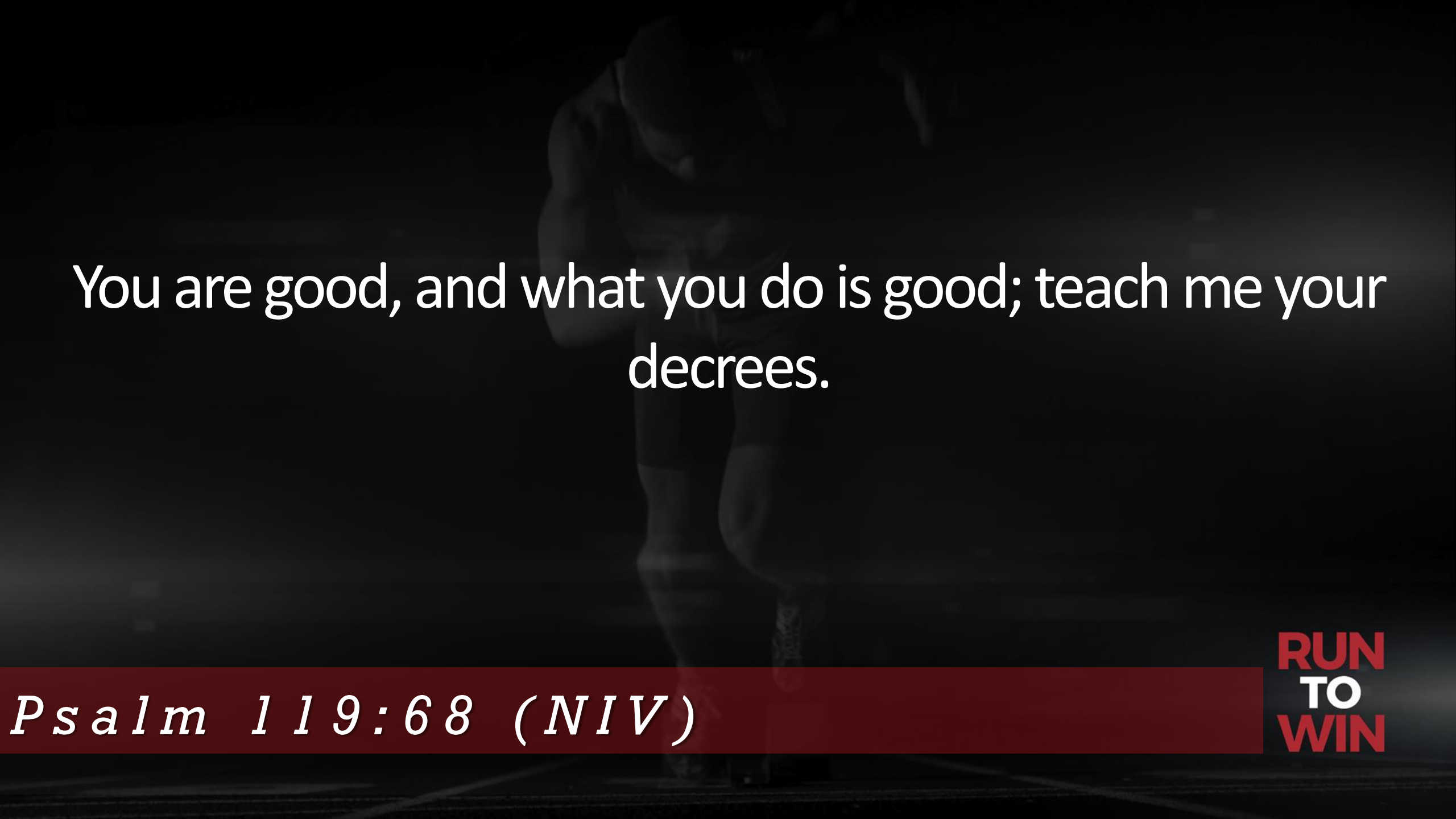
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For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his  
faithfulness continues through all generations.

*Psalm 100 (NIV)*

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You are good, and what you do is good; teach me your  
decrees.

*Psalm 119:68 (NIV)*

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The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble.

He cares for those who trust in him,

*Nahum 1:7 (NIV)*

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