

Booby Traps

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I. Introduction.

- A. There are hidden costs to running the race.
- B. These costs will kill a person spiritually.

II. Prayerlessness. (Isaiah 64:7)

- A. One can do many things without Jesus but nothing of value. (John 15)
- B. Prayerlessness leads to busyness, indecisiveness and shortsightedness.

III. Busyness. (I Kings 20:39-40)

- A. The cost of busyness is possibly not doing the right thing.
- B. The enemy of the best is not the poor but the good.

IV. Indecisiveness. (I Kings 18:21)

- A. The problem with indecisiveness is that others will make important decisions for you. (Joshua 24:15)
- B. We cannot have two masters. (Luke 16, Revelation 3, Ephesians 4)

V. Short-sightedness. We need to make sure there is enough gas to reach the finish line. (Hebrews 12:16, Proverbs 22:3)

Application questions:

1. Why are good things dangerous in the life of the believer?

2. What things do you wish you had prayed more fervently for in hindsight? Explain.

3. What is the danger of indecisiveness? How have you experienced this? Explain.
