The Road to Here – Making It to the Finish Line
January 28-29, 2017

Community:

1. Have you ever run a race before? What were some of the highs and lows?

2. What's one of the best adventures on which you've been or want to go on in the future?

Core:

1. What comes to mind for you when you think of the word repent?

2. **Read Romans 2: 4.** Jesus says if we put our faith in him and believe he will do everything he promises (i.e., paying for our sins and reconnecting us back to God). So if this is true; what is something in your life you need God to change that you haven't been able to change on your own?

3. What kinds of things weigh you down or wear you out and prevent you from accomplishing what God is calling you to do?

4. Can you think of a past example in your life (or someone you know) where things came together in a way that felt impossible?

5. Jim Burgen's message pointed out two positions: (1) Either you need to step out in faith towards some impossible task or (2) You need to remain faithful in a current task that is wearing you out—and feels impossible to continue. Where do you feel like you fall with these two?

6. What is one thing you can do this week to strengthen your ability to keep your eyes fixed on Jesus through whatever storm has (or may) hit you?

7. If you look at life like a race, are you setup to, not only finish, but to win? Why or why not, and what do you think needs to change?

8. In this race (if we are honest) most of us have a crushing weight from our past (i.e., fear, shame, insecurity). Do you ever feel like you're not enough? If you were to be free from what's weighing you down how would you feel? What is a good next step to get there?

Challenge:

This whole series has been about how you can change the trajectory of your life by leaning into what Jesus says is true about you, and what a better life looks like. Take some time this week to write down some ways you apply this truth to your life. Ask God to open your heart and mind to the first, good step.