

“Letting Go of Envy”

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The fastest way to kill something special is to **compare** it to something else.

Craig Groeschel

2 Corinthians 10:12 NLT

Oh, don't worry; we wouldn't dare say that we are as wonderful as these other men who tell you how important they are! But **they are only comparing themselves with each other, using themselves as the standard of measurement.** How ignorant!

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John, the Disciple Whom Jesus **Loved**

John 20:1-2 NLT

Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, “They have taken the Lord’s body out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

John 20:3-4 NLT

Peter and the other disciple started out for the tomb. They were both running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

John 20:8 NLT

Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed—

John 21:7 NLT

Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, “It’s the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his tunic (for he had stripped for work), jumped into the water, and headed to shore.

John 21:20 NLT

Peter turned around and saw behind them the disciple Jesus loved—the one who had leaned over to Jesus during supper and asked, “Lord, who will betray you?”

Envy prevents us from **focusing** on Jesus

John 21:21 NLT

Peter asked Jesus, “What about him, Lord?”

Stay in your lane

John 21:22 NLT

Jesus replied, “If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? As for you, follow me.”

Run the good **race**, focus on **Jesus**

Hebrews 12:1-2 NLT

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.

We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God’s throne.

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