



Day 37 - Blue Ribbons

Tuesday, December 31, 2019

“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.” (1 Corinthians 9:24)

The blue ribbon is a symbol of distinction originating from the the blue cord worn by the French chivalry unit called the Order of the Holy Spirit in the 1500’s. Since then, in the United States, it represents the 1st place award in many competitive events or is given to distinguished persons or commissions. In his message to the early church, and just as relevant today, the Apostle Paul explains his zeal for Christ and encourages believers to work earnestly and enthusiastically in what God has called them to do. He says in 1 Corinthians 9:24, “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.” In other words don’t let up or give up. Put aside distractions and keep your eyes on the prize. If you have become complacent and lackluster in your faith, praise God today that a new year is on the horizon. Today is a new opportunity to recommit your efforts to kingdom business and being a beacon of light to others. Be reminded of Colossians 3:23-24, “Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.” If you follow this advice, you can look forward to receiving your blue ribbon.

Prayer: “Lord, thank you for your great love for me. Help me to give the best of myself to the things and people you have called me to. I refuse to compare myself to others or work to please men knowing that your reward for me is not fleeting but lasting.”

Pray for God’s continued guidance, protection, provision and success for Cliffard Whitby (Macon-Bibb 2020 mayoral candidate) and the Whitby2020 campaign team and supporters.

Pray that God would grow and increase this movement and energize individuals to co-labor with us for positive change.