Avoid A Weak Finish

Getting to Know You:

- What's the longest distance you've ever run?
- What do you find helps you finish well in the race of life?

Going Deeper:

• Jesus is the Holy One. Look up the following verses that describe Holiness and come up with a working definition of what holiness is all about and why we need it. (Exodus 15:11, Isaiah 6:3, 1 Sam. 2:2, Heb. 12:14, Rom. 6:22, 1 Peter 1:15-16.)

• Following Jesus is often compared to a race. Look up the following verses that talk about this and discuss what's needed to run the race and finish strong. (Heb. 12:1-3, 2 Tim. 4:7-8, Isaiah 40:28-31, 1 Cor. 9:24-27, Gal. 5:7-12).

• Revelation 3:10 seems to indicate that Jesus will keep his church from the coming tribulation.

What's the condition that Jesus gives for this protection?
Look up 1 Thess. 4:13-18 and 1 Cor. 15:50-54 and discuss the rapture event.

- Watch Gotquestions.org/rapture of the church video.

• Discuss the New Jerusalem mentioned in Rev.3:12. You can read more about it in Rev.21:9-27.

- What is the new Jerusalem? Where will it be located? What size will it be? Why will it need gates? Why won't it need a temple?

• Look up the following verses that speak about open doors. What do they all point to? (1 Cor.16:9, Col.4:3, 2 Cor.2:12, Acts 14:27)

Taking it Home:

• Spend time this week praying for an unsaved friend or family member by name every day.

• Ask God for an open door for the gospel and for the boldness to walk through that door and share the gospel with them.