

# Champions for Christ:

## An invitation for campus missionaries



### theme

A campus missionary can be effective by possessing the characteristics of a champion.

### proposition

The Bible describes how we can be champions.

**text:** 2 Timothy 4:5–8

### introduction

There are champions who have gone before us (Hebrews 12:1,2).

#### BOX OF BASICS

### Champions for Christ

- I. Run a good race.
- II. Fight a good fight.
- III. Compete well.
- IV. Move on.

### Champions for Christ:

- I. Run to receive the prize (1 Corinthians 9:24–27).
- II. Fight the good fight of faith (1 Timothy 6:11–13).
- III. Compete well (Philippians 3:12–16).
- IV. Move on (2 Timothy 4:6–8).

### conclusion

Will you fill the champion's shoes (Isaiah 6:8)?

### suggestion

Throughout the message, weave the story of Olympic wrestling champion Rulon Gardner, who left his shoes on the mat after a match to signal his retirement. After this message, give every student a framed picture of a wrestler's shoes in the middle of a wrestling mat.

(Transition into commissioning service.)

### notes: