



## **“Ready, Aim, Fire”**

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**Sermon Notes**

### **What’s your story?**

- Is your story mediocre or great?
- What’s the theme? What’s the transition sentence in your story?

### **Ready.**

#### **Genesis 1:26-28 (New International Version)**

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, <sup>[a]</sup> and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

<sup>27</sup> So God created man in his own image,  
in the image of God he created him;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup> God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

### **Aim.**

#### **2 Corinthians 13:11 (New International Version)**

<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers, good-bye. Aim for perfection, listen to my appeal, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

#### **Psalms 127:3-5 (New International Version)**

<sup>3</sup> Sons are a heritage from the LORD,  
children a reward from him.

<sup>4</sup> Like arrows in the hands of a warrior  
are sons born in one's youth.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed is the man  
whose quiver is full of them.

They will not be put to shame  
when they contend with their enemies in the gate.

### **Fire.**

#### **Psalm 27:2-3 (New International Version)**

<sup>2</sup> When evil men advance against me  
to devour my flesh,  
when my enemies and my foes attack me,  
they will stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup> Though an army besiege me,  
my heart will not fear;  
though war break out against me,  
even then will I be confident.

#### **1 Corinthians 9:26-27 (New International Version)**

<sup>26</sup> Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. <sup>27</sup> No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

### **Conclusion**

- 1. Take Time to Evaluate (Understand your readiness).**
- 2. Take Time to Focus (Aim for your Target).**
- 3. Then Go for It (Fire with all your might)!**