

Steadfastness

1 Urged by Christ

- 1 Continue in my love Jn 15:9
- 2 Looking forward makes one wait Jn 9:62
- 3 A bid in me Jn 15:4

2 Christ Steadfastly faced His task Lk. 9:51

3 How accomplished Jn 15:10

4 Rewards of.

- 1 Fruitfulness Jn 15:5, 8
- 2 Prayers will be answered Jn 15:7
- 3 Our house will not fall Mt. 7:25
- 4 Salvation Mt. 10:22 24:13
Mk. 13:13

5 We become the true disciples of Jesus Jn 8:31

6 Immortality Jn 8:51

5. Curses of Neglect

- 1 Branches become withered and are burned Jn 15:6

Preparation for Revival.
Script read. II Chron. 7:11-16. M.T. 7-78
Text. II Chronicles 7:14

If my people, which are
called by my name, shall
humble themselves, and pray
and seek my face, and turn
from their wicked ways;
then will I hear from
heaven, and will forgive their
sin, and will heal their
land.
These are the words God spoke to
I Humility Salomon in a dream.
after he had finished the
house of the Lord.
Jo 4:6 God resisteth the
proud, but giveth grace
to the humble.
How to be humble.

A. Yield to the will of
God.
1. Listen to the word of
God and take heed.
Illustr. Book of Low Sound
in the Temple. read from
morning till evening.

1 p 5. 5 be clothed with
humility.

A. Willing to do the
lowly tasks. place of
a servant.

B. Don't mind rebuke

C. ^{or scorn} Keep a sweet spirit

II pray and see my face.

A. Take time to pray.

Examples.

Moses.

Gideon.

Jesus.

B. The effectual fervent prayer
of a righteous man availeth
much. Elijah.

Salomon prayed at the dedication
of the Temple. and offered

72,000 oxen and 120,000
sheep.

Sacrificial giving brought
the blessing.

III Turn from wicked
ways

A. If I regard iniquity
in my heart the Lord
will not hear me.

B. If you have sinned Confess
and put it away.
Ninereh

IV Cooperation

Gedon Jerico.
Builders of the Temple
people sacrificed
Solomon and all the people
worked together.

Scripture Reading Psalm 33

Text ## V. 1 Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright."

Intro: Righteous people should praise the Lord more than anyone. They have more to be thankful.

V. 18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy

~~No~~ good thing will He withhold to them that walk uprightly.

Rom 8:28 All things work together
He shall give His angels charge concerning thee and in their hands they shall bear thee up lest at anytime thou dash thy foot against a stone.

We often entertain angels unaware.
The angel of the Lord incampeth round about them that fear him and delivereth them. Ps. 34:7

v. 5

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord

The Sun, the trees, the flowers, the grass, the birds, the star, the sky, the mountains, the rivers, the lakes.

A friend that sticketh closer than a brother

The home. Family blessings. Christian home.

Most of all the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thanksgiving Day!

Thanksgiving Day! How sweet the sound,
Sweet music to the ear.
Its birthplace is in the U.S.A.
And it reappears each year.

To many people that I know,
It's just another day.
To them the only difference is,
Instead of work, they play.

The golfer jumps into his cart,
The hunter grabs his gun.
They seem to think this day was named
Exclusively for fun.

Our loving God again has blessed
This land with precious wheat.
This furnishes the "Staff of life"
And other things to eat.

Now surely, you can spare one day
Just set aside to praise;
And show your thankfulness to God
For the food He's helped us raise.

So please, my friend, just rest a while
To think, and praise, and pray.
And give to God your best, your all,
On this Thanksgiving Day.

—Unknown

A Family Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord, thank You for this sink of dirty dishes, we have good food to eat. Thank you for this pile of dirty laundry, we have nice clothes to wear. I'd like to thank You for these unmade beds, they were all comfortable last night.

The World is Mine

Today upon a bus, I saw
A lovely girl with golden hair
I envied her—she seemed so young—
I wished I were one-half as fair.
When suddenly she rose to leave
I saw her hobble down the aisle:
She had one leg; she used a crutch.
As she passed, she flashed a smile.
O GOD, FORGIVE ME WHEN I WHINE!
I HAVE TWO LEGS, THE WORLD IS MINE!!

And when I stopped to buy some sweets,
The lad who sold them had such charm
I talked with him—he seemed so glad—
If I were late, 'would do no harm.
'And as I left he said to me:
'I thank you. You have been so kind.
You see,' he added, 'I am blind.'
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I HAVE TWO EYES, THE WORLD IS MINE!!

With legs to take me where I'd go—
With eyes to see the sunset's glow—
O GOD, FORGIVE ME WHEN I WHINE!
I'M BLESSED INDEED! THE WORLD IS
MINE!!

Triumphal Entry.

Matth 21. Luke 19: 28 Mark 11: 29—

Intro: Six day before the
passover Jesus arrived in Bethany
the village of his friends
Martha Mary and Lazarus
which lay but an hour's distance
from Jerusalem on the other side
of the mount of olives. The
passover feast was to begin
on the following Thursday
He rested on the Sabbath and
on Sunday morning He began
his journey ~~at~~ to the city
a great crowd around.

I Romans ruled
looked for someone to lead them
'They that sat in darkness
had seen a great light.'

II Not as a war lord
on a war horse but
meek and lowly on a
donkey cart.

III Wept over the city.
V 41

IV pharisees. asked him to
have the people stop praising
him.
a. He is worthy of praise.

Backsliding 12 MT 1976

2 Peter 2:4-9, 20-22.

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Intro: The most distressing thing that a minister of the Gospel has to face is to see precious ones of the flock drifting away from God.

The history of backsliding is very old.

1. ~~the angels~~ ✓ 4
2. The Israelites perished in the wilderness. Joshua wanted to stone Caleb, Joshua's messengers across.
3. King Saul.

4. ~~Samuel~~

4. Salomon. 1 K. 11:4

5. Baloom - loved the wages of unrighteousness

6. Judas

7. Ananias and Sapphira

fore of money

8. Demas

How backsliding comes about
Lev 11:24

When the unclean spirit is
gone out of a man, he walketh
through dry places seeking rest
and finding none, he saith
I will return unto my house
whence I came out. and when
he cometh, he findeth it swept
and garnished. Then goeth he,
and taketh to him seven other
spirits more wicked than
himself and they enter
in and dwell there; and
the last state of that
man is worse than the
first.

~~for of more~~
III Fearfulness of backsliding

Heb. 6:4-6

Ezekiel 33:13+8

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IV How to keep from Backsliding
Jesus said Watch and pray.
Not forsake the assembly together

If we walk in the light
as he is in the light, we
have fellowship one with
another and the blood of
Jesus Christ cleanseth from
all sin.

Jesus said
Deny self and take up
your cross and follow
me.

Long trust and abey

To five grains of corn
pilgrim & others longer
over 300 years ago
During the first long
winter, 17 times as many
groves were made for
the dead as bones for
the living. The ship
which was to bring food
and relief brought 35
more mouths to feed.

The pilgrims had a
custom of putting 5 grains
of corn on each empty
plate before a dinner
of thorkening, which
was to remind them
that the pilgrims were
in such dire need that
they were allowed only
5 grains of corn ^{per person} per day.

Text Romans 8:17,18 "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

1 Peter 3:10 "But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you."

Intro. Some good things can never come about in this life except through suffering. It was even said of Jesus, that He learned obedience through the things that He suffered. There are two categories of suffering that bebeneficial

1. Those producing, or at least meant to produce, beneficial results in the life of the sufferer
2. Those which are designed to help others.

Of the first group

Conviction for sin, which is a form of suffering, comes to produce repentance, which is absolutely necessary to peace and pardon. Happy is the sinner who is thus called upon to suffer. It may become the door to eternal life.

Some are so convicted that they cannot sleep or eat.

There is the suffering caused by inbred sin - this internal warring with a foreign enemy whom we willingly harbor. This suffering is a painful call to deliver this man of sin the carnal mind to the Holy Executioner, that the soul may have peace and rest in God, which can be obtained in no other way.

There is the suffering of the Christian because of blunders errors, and faults. This suffering is given to us for corrective purposes. In this field are the rebukes and reproofs from God's messengers, as well as the chastening of the Lord. They are given that we may be led to "confess your faults one to another" and thereby keep reconciled to God and to man. God's chastening is to enlarge the soul's capacity and to fill it with His holiness. One should rejoice in such moments of fruit-bearing suffering.

There is the suffering that comes with normal growth or expansion pains. In youth, they are called "growing pains." They are the opening up of the personality, the enlargement of the soul, and the deepening of the Christian life. It is like the opening up of "new ground" for the farmer's expanding field for cultivation.

Suffering that is of benefit to others

Suffering for truth's sake. Paul felt the sting of such when he said, "Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?" Love must be in deed and in truth," and the truth is painful at times. But love will suffer the pain of whatever unfavorable reaction to the truth may come, for it is dedicated to the truth. Here the truth is the primary beneficiary.

There is suffering for Godlikeness. This is inevitable: "Because ... I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you" (John 15:19). Righteousness produces pain in the unrepentant sinner and it often reacts as suffering in the Christian. Here righteousness is exalted, God is honored, and the suffering saint rewarded.

~~There is the suffering of brotherhood with one~~
There is the suffering of comradeship "Weep with them that weep" is taught by God and was practiced by His Son while upon earth. In a common suffering the Christian bounds are strengthened and the mutual participation divided the load of sorrow with another.

There is the suffering of intercession when one feels the sinner's plight as his own and pleads for himself as the guilty. The woman from Canaan illustrates this type. Her petition was "Have mercy on me O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil" (Matt. 15:22). She had assumed the problem as her own and made petition for herself. The prayer was rewarded.

The Holy Spirit, who "maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Rom. 8:26). Represents the highest possible form of such suffering. Christ also ministered here. Isaiah tells us that "He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows" (Isa. 53:4) He made our sins His own and "was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities" (v.5).

To a large degree, the Apostle Paul entered this field, declaring. "I... now rejoice in my sufferings for you. and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church" (Col. 1:24)

Such a ministry might be looked upon as morbid and depressing. but for the fact that it is supported by joy. Paul tells us that he rejoiced in his suffering. On another occasion, he said, "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities... I take pleasure... in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake" (2Cor. 12:9-10)s

Such suffering is the birth pains of new lives. Paul puts it this way: "My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you" (Gal. 4:19).

To the Thessalonians he wrote, "Ye remember... our labour and travail" (1 Thess. 2:9). The promise made to Jesus "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied will be sahred by all who thus suffer. "Your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (2 Cor. 15:58).

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There is the suffering of the Christian because of man's errors and faults, which is suffering in various forms for a redemptive purpose. In this field are the sufferings of the soul, God is merciful as well as the chastity of the soul. These are given that we may be able to become more like Christ, one to another, and to God, and to be able to do so. and to fill it with the love of God, and to be able to do so. and to fill it with the love of God, and to be able to do so.

Ruth

M. J. 79
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Left Ruth 1:16, ch 2:12

"And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God."

Introduction. Choices determine destinies. Orphan's choice

Important truths in this account 1. God is no respecter of persons 2. It is very worth while to trust in the Lord.

3. We must forsake all to follow Him.

4. God will take care of you

5. Your life will bring others to salvation

Glennie's, Noomi. (Ruth's orphan)
(Mablon Chilions)

1. Choices must be made.
twixt this world and
Gods dear son.
Jesus said: matt 10: 37 He
that loveth father or mother
more than me is not
worthy of me: and he
that loveth son or daughter
more than me is not worthy
of me.
matt Luke 14: 26 If any
man come to me, and hate
not his father, and mother,
and wife, and children, and
brethren, and sisters, yea, and
his own life also, he cannot
be my disciple.

2. God is no respecter of
persons. Jew or gentile,
Black-white,
Ruth of Moab. was
the great grandmother of
King David. Ruth child
Obed become father of Jesse

the father of David.
Jesus ^{was born} ~~came~~ of the lineage
of David.

3. ^{Long 150} Had well take care
of you. ^{Things were poor}
^{as I feel for Ruth}
^{at first.} under His wings I am
safely abiding, tho the night
deepens and tempests are wild
still I can trust Him, I know
He will keep me. He has
redeemed me and I am
his child.

4. your good choice will
bless your children.
David become such
a man of God that
God allowed the King
of Kings to be born in
his image.

Wash

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Gen. C, - 9
Wash built on preacher
of righteousness 120 years.
on 87,000 tons

6000	
120	
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480	when started
120	in building
350	lived afterward.
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950	

The Christian Warfare M. 73
Scripture Ephesians. 6: 10-18 &
I Sam. 17: 47 "The battle is
the Lord's"

2 Cor. 10: 4 "The weapons of
our warfare are not carnal
but mighty through God to
the pulling down of strong
holds."

Intro. David and Goliath.

V. 10 Be strong. Fight like
men.

V. 12. What we are up against.

V. 14. Stand your ground

1. Truth
2. Precepts of righteousness

V. 15. Sure footing.

V16. Shield of faith.
a mighty weapon.

V17. helmet. and sword
of the spirit the word
of God.

V18. strength of prayer
and supplication.
Ex. Daniel.
watching. perseverance
and supplication

I David Had faith when others didn't.

II David believe God was able to give him power to overcome.

III David never made excuses, too young, not prepared, not a soldier

IV Did not show fear

V much depended on his faith and courage

How to have a Revival.

Morgantown.
Humble ourselves and pray 9.81

Is. 57:15 For thus saith the
high and lofty one that inhabiteth
eternity, whose name is holy; I
dwell in the high and holy place,
with him also that is of a
contrite and humble spirit, to
revive the spirit of the humble
and to revive the heart of the
contrite ones.

2 Chron. 7:14 "If my people,
which are called by my name,
shall humble themselves, and pray,
and seek my face, and turn
from their wicked ways; then
will I hear from heaven, and
will forgive their sin, and will
heal their land.

Confession.

James 5:16 "Confess your
faults one to another, and
pray one for another, that ye
may be healed. The effectual
servant prayer of a righteous man
availith much."

Pay your tithes and give offerings.

Mal. 3: 8-12

Pray together

Matt 18: 19, 20

"Again I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them."

Pray and fast, and Faith

Matt 17: 21

Giving, The Heart of Christmas.

M.T. 1970

John 3:16

Intro: The giving of gifts
has become the heart of
the Christmas season.

I God gave all the good things
on the earth for the benefit
of man.

Not good for man to be alone
so he gave him a woman.

Man sinned so he gave
him Jesus the saviour.

After his death and resurrection
he gave the Holy Spirit
(the Comforter.)

God gave eternal life to
all who would receive
him.

II Why did God give? Because
he so loved. Love always
gives the best.

Quest: Wife who sold her hair
for a watch chain for her
husband. ~~Then~~ He sold his
watch to buy combs for her
hair.

Gifts of love and sacrifice
makes life worth while.
Select Christmas hours at Easter

III What can we give to God
to show our love.

Widow and 2 mites

HIS NAME AT THE TOP

I had the nicest Christmas list,
The longest one in town,
Till Daddy looked at it and said,
"You'll have to cut it down."

I knew that what he said was true
Beyond the faintest doubt,
But was amazed to hear him say,
"You've left your best Friend out."
And so I scanned my list again,
And said, "Oh, that's not true!"
But Daddy said, "His name's not there,
That Friend who died for you."

And then I clearly understood,
'Twas Jesus that he meant/
For Him who should come first of all
I hadn't planned a cent!
I'd made a Christmas birthday list,
And left the Savior out!
But, oh, it didn't take me long
To change the list about.

And tho' I've had to drop some names
Of folks I like a lot,
My Lord must have the most because

HIS NAME IS AT THE TOP!

A. Give for the sake of others.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me.

Many will give gifts of love. Some will be received with joy. Other gifts will be despised.

B. Give our bodies a living sacrifice. Service loving service.

What can I give Him
Poor as I am.

If I were a shepherd.
I'd give Him a lamb.

If I were a wise man
I'd do my best.

What can I give Him
I'll give Him my heart.

Is it nothing to you M.T. 1-17-82

Despt: Jam. 1:12

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no not one

"Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow."

Many have been in this position where it seemed ~~no~~ one cared. "as David said: 'I looked on my right, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul'"
Lonely in the heart of a great city
and out of every it feel
they have not a friend in the world.

Real heartbreak comes when you give all you can give and your sacrifice is rejected and counted as nothing

a missionary returning from
Africa. Theodore Roosevelt
on some ship received a
great welcome, missionary
had no one much to welcome
him. 17th Century persecution of Daniel Rombaut
of Vilvoorde
Women stabbed, no one offered
help.

Boy Abraham Lincoln helped
in school near the Capital
only one arm. ^{named John}

John Griffith ^{Depression 1929} Story of boy
Meq. 1937 caught in jaws of draw
bridge. I sacrificed my soul for you.
Don't you care? ¹⁹³⁷ Nobody heard
the train rushed on
Conclusion Jesus was sacrificed
does anybody care.

Prophecy concerning Russia

Jan 9 '66
Morg.

Text II Peter 1:21

"For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

Introduction: One third of the world is under Communism over one Billion people conquered in less than fifty years. Will she rule the world?

What is Russia going to do:

What is the future of Communism?

Will she succeed in her ambitions to rule the world?

These questions have not been answered by man But one of God's holy prophets, Ezekiel, was moved upon 2500 years ago, to foretell us (in the 38th and 39th chapters of Ezekiel what a certain nation was going to do after the nation of Israel returned

May 15, 1948 she became a new nation again.

This prophecy could not come to pass until this happened.

This nation was called Gog, in the land of Magog.

Biblical authorities tell us that this "Gog refers to present-day nation of Russia. The reference of Mesech and Tubal (Moscow and Tobolsk) is a clear mark of identification.

Ezekiel 38:1-3)

1. A nation of the north V. 15
2. A nation with a mighty army. V. 9
3. A nation with many other nations assembled with her in her attack upon Israel, v. 4-6.
4. A nation that would attack Israel after she had been gathered from many nations. ✓ 8

II. Now this is what will happen when they come to Israel.

Ezekiel 38:18-23

Israel will turn to Jesus for help. Zechariah 12 9-11.

Final destruction

Ezek. 39:2, 4, 12

III. We know God will destroy Russia "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all nations that forget God." Psalm 9:17. Will God spare us?

John 11:35

"Jesus wept."

We are all here today to show our love and respect to one who has left and brought sorrow to our hearts. But I would like to point you to Jesus the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

Jesus when he saw the multitude he was moved with compassion on them. If saw them as sheep having no shepherd.

We need the good shepherd the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

Come unto me all ye that are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Does Jesus care when my
heart is crushed to deeply
for mirth or song

Oh yes he cares I know
he cares His heart is touched
with my grief.

Jesus does all things well.