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Lead Article **Stay On The Course**

I find that one of the major troubles that we face in following Christ is the lack of patience and remembrance of the final objective in this life, going to Heaven. We live like blessing junkies, looking for one blessing after another and consumed with the trivial daily matters rather than the big picture of eternal glory. Even worse, we put so much of our energy into the trivial issues that when God is ready to give us a major breakthrough in our lives, we are too burned out to accomplish the task of obtaining it. God gave too much of a sacrifice to give us the eternal prize of salvation, for us to be disqualified by the temporary trials that come against us. Let us take it to scripture though:

Hebrews 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,
² Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
³ For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

A lot of people actually give up on the faith, because they don't see the results, or "feel" the results that they expect when, where, and how they expect them. One thing to realize is that the great prize (or rather promise) given to you is salvation from an eternity in Hell. He doesn't owe you any more than that (and doesn't even owe you that unless you accept His gift), and if that were all that He gave you it would be enough. Even a lifetime in slavery and tragedy would still be completely outweighed by an eternity of peace and joy. What is 100 years in comparison to eternity? Nothing. Yet, our God in His love and compassion desires us to have joy even in this life, and shares His abundance of blessings throughout our lives providing everything we need according to our needs and best interest, rather than our own fleshly desires. He gives us the desires of our hearts if we seek Him, on His own time, which is the perfect time. Don't be discouraged my brethren. In fact, look at this verse:

Galatians 6:9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

The purpose of sharing this is to say that even in those lesser issues, He still lets us know that He hears us and will bring forth the fruit of our labor, we just have to keep going. Yet, even with all of the temporary blessings and setbacks, just as we must keep going in the faith for these temporary blessings and deliverances, we should also maintain our path for our

eternity. And based on that, I want to encourage you brethren, to hold on. As the old Negro spiritual used to say, “keep your hand on the plow, hold on.” Don’t look at your current situation but look on the promises of deliverance that He has given you in His word. Don’t look at the current life circumstances and situations, but look at the eternal purpose of this life, and hold on to that hope as found in Christ Jesus. Don’t be thrown off of the path by the seasonal storms and issues, but remain founded throughout as they will come and go but His eternal glory lasts forever. Stay on the course my brethren, in Jesus’ name.

Health Tips

1 Corinthians 3:16

The health tip this time is simple, and more of a statement. This is the holiday season, which means lots of cooking and lots of eating. Enjoy your food, also be aware of what your body can handle, and don’t eat foods that you know are going to cause you health problems. Likewise, remember that the calories that are found in those foods won’t magically disappear on their own, so for unless you plan to go up a size in clothing, be prepared to work those same calories off if you don’t want to gain. Either way, enjoy yourself. This time only comes around once a year, so be careful, but be happy as well.

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What’s New in the Ministry

If you have been to our website lately, you’ve noticed some changes. Yet of all the changes, I want to draw your attention more to the outreaches that we are involved with. These outreaches give you, and any others, the opportunity to take part in impacting your communities in a major way.

Our Homeless Relief Ministry outreach will provide tents to protect the homeless from the harsh conditions of nature, as well as various toiletries, non-perishable foods, and supplies to take a major edge from the harshness of the streets. Eventually we desire to be able to provide even more relief, and can do so with the support of faithful Christians that desire to help. Please visit us online for more information on this awesome outreach, and what you can do to make a difference in the lives of these people.

The other outreaches include the media ministry, taking the gospel message to the world via print, radio, and television by illustrating dramatic portrayal of God’s morality as instruction on how to live, according to His word. And lastly we have “Project Abstinence,” designed to take the message of the gospel regarding maintaining sexual purity, to our youth.



UGFE MINISTRY INSTITUTE

The UGFE Ministry Institute has now entered into its third phase of change, which is also the final phase of its current vision. We have removed the courses and finally established it a place for spiritual resources, somewhat of a library type atmosphere. You are invited to go to the website (found below) and view the latest teaching on Peace and Balance. This teaching illustrates the meaning of “faith equilibrium” as found in our name. Pastor Broadus is also available for seminars on the subject and will be releasing a video on this teaching in due time. Feel free to visit us online, and to contact us for more information.

Prayers

During this season of giving and fellowship, please remember those in your prayers that don't have the opportunity that you have to enjoy the season. Please pray for the soldiers across the oceans and the homeless and poor in the world. Please pray for the victims of crime in this sick world – those who have been beaten and attacked, raped and abused. Pray for those without voices or strength to protect themselves from the evil at hand. And finally, pray for those who are willing to make a stand and fight for righteousness, that they may be strengthened to truly make a difference. May God's will be done in this world, and it be changed for the better, and His love take supremacy in authority to all of us that are here, in Jesus' name, amen.

As always, we seek prayer for this ministry that it may only grow in doing the Lord's will according to His desires. We ask that you pray for all of the silent requests that we have and receive here at this ministry, including those ministries in covenant with us from overseas. Finally, if you have any prayers that you'd like to add to our prayer list, please feel free to send them to us.

Contact

If you would like to contact us, use the information below. We'd love to hear from you, pray for you, and be the best blessing we can be to the Body of Christ. Please visit our websites at:

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We believe in the laws of sowing and reaping, cheerfully, as found in the Holy Bible, and that if you sow by faith into this work of God, then you also shall reap of the anointing and blessings of God accordingly. You can support us in partnership, sponsorship, or by donation of any of the items listed on the website as needed. One of the most important forms of support that you can provide is also prayer. May you keep us in prayer and we thank you for all of your love and support?

By the grace of God,
Kelvin
