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Perseverance-In Action

"This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel."

-Acts 9:15

"I have worked much harder, been in prison more frequently, been flogged more severely, and been exposed to death again and again."

-2 Corinthians 11:23

"Boldly and without hindrance he preached the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ."

-Acts 28:31

Didn't Quit

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

-2 Timothy 4:7

Perseverance = Don't Quit

- -though you have opportunity
- -though you have reason to

We Are Called To Persevere

"You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised."

-Hebrews 10:36

"Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised."

-Hebrews 10:36 (NLT)

"For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise."

-Hebrews 10:36 (NKJ)

Why Persevere? How Do We Persevere?

Glorify God

"I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do."

-John 17:4

Love People

"I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body."

-Philippians 1:23-24

Look Ahead

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

-Galatians 6:9

"I have labored to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing. Yet what is due me is in the Lord's hands, and my reward is with my God."

-Isaiah 49:4