# The Book of Acts: The Church in Action

## 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

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"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)

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"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)

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## **Glorify God**

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

### -John 17:4

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## 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

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## 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

# Why Persevere? How Do We Persevere? Look Ahead

"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."