



Ordinary Faithfulness

steady Christian living in the normal pressures of life

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10 – Finishing Well

God calls His people to keep following Christ faithfully until the end.

EMBARK

Starting the Christian life with enthusiasm is common, but continuing to follow Christ faithfully over the long haul requires endurance. Over time, weariness, disappointment, distraction, and suffering can tempt us to slow down in our obedience, neglect spiritual disciplines, or drift from our commitment to Christ. Scripture calls believers to keep following Him through every season, trusting that faithful obedience is never wasted and that finishing well is worth the struggle.

1. What specific challenges make it difficult to remain faithful to Christ over time (for example, in prayer, obedience, or serving others)?

EXAMINE

READ 2 Timothy 4:6–8

2. How does Paul describe the end of his life and ministry?
3. What did Paul remain faithful to finish and keep?
4. What hope gave Paul confidence as he looked toward the end?

READ Hebrews 12:1–3

5. What must believers lay aside in order to run with endurance?
6. Where should our attention remain as we run?
7. How does considering Christ help us keep from growing weary and giving up?

READ 1 Corinthians 15:58

8. What qualities should mark believers because of the hope of resurrection?
9. What does this verse say about labor done for the Lord?
10. How does knowing our labor is not in vain help us remain faithful?



EXPOSE

We often struggle to finish well because the heart grows weary, distracted, and impatient.

We carry what should be laid aside

Sin and unnecessary weights make endurance harder.

We let disappointment turn into disengagement

When life does not unfold as expected, we can begin to pull back.

We look around instead of looking to Christ

Comparison, distraction, and changing circumstances can take our eyes off the One we are following.

We forget that faithful labor is never wasted

When results are slow or unseen, we can begin to wonder whether continuing is worth it.

Diagnostic questions:

- What weight or sin is making faithful endurance harder?
- Where am I tempted to disengage because I am disappointed or weary?
- What is distracting my attention from Christ?
- Where do I need to remember that labor in the Lord is not in vain?

ENGAGE

Discuss these matters with your table and summarize your findings to share with the group.

Step 1: Identify

What commonly causes people to lose endurance over time?

Step 2: Reflect

Why is keeping our eyes on Christ essential to finishing well?

Step 3: Apply

Where do you most need renewed endurance right now?

Step 4: Encourage

How can believers help one another keep going faithfully to the end?

MEMORIZE

1 Corinthians 15:58 (CSB) “Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord’s work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”

THIS WEEK:

Choose one concrete step

- lay aside one weight that is making faithfulness harder
- address one sin that is hindering your endurance
- encourage someone who is growing weary
- revisit one responsibility where you are tempted to give up
- thank God for one way He has sustained you through the years

