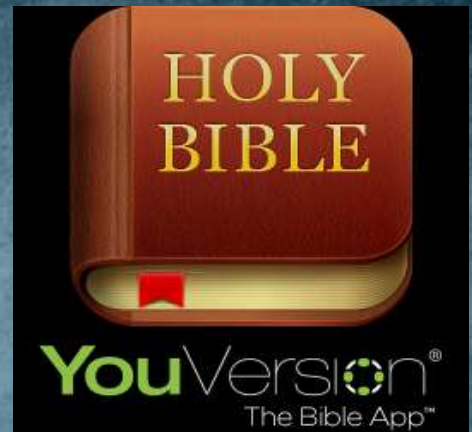




# Scripture



Look for our event!

## Philippians 1:27-30

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**I Corinthians 16:13 -**

Be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be  
courageous, be strong.

# **Four Evidences of Worthy Lives:**

## **I. Those Worthy of the Gospel Stand Firm for the Gospel**

“Unless I am convicted by Scripture and plain reason (I do not accept the authority of popes and councils because they have contradicted each other), my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. Here I stand, I can do no other, so help me God. Amen.”

**~Martin Luther**

# **Four Evidences of Worthy Lives:**

## **II. Those Worthy of the Gospel Stand Together for the Gospel**

"Only by the total cooperation of Christians striving unitedly together with each other in this fierce contest for the minds of men can the true gospel be preserved against distortion or destruction by its opponents."

**~Gerald Hawthorne**

# Four Evidences of Worthy Lives:

## II. Those Worthy of the Gospel Stand Together for the Gospel

### **Ephesians 4:1-3 -**

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

# **Four Evidences of Worthy Lives:**

## **II. Those Worthy of the Gospel Stand Together for the Gospel**

### **I Corinthians 1:10 -**

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.



“This then we would impress upon your minds as a matter of indispensable necessity. There will of course, amongst a number of persons whose former views, habits, and dispositions have been so different, arise many occasions of difference, perhaps also of dissatisfaction and disgust: but Christians should regard the smallest symptom of disunion, as they would the beginnings of a conflagration in the house wherein they dwelt: every one should have his personal feelings...

swallowed up in an attention to the common cause. All should have one object, and unite their efforts to accomplish it, and banish in an instant whatever might obstruct their exertions for the general good.”

**~Charles Simeon**

# **Four Evidences of Worthy Lives:**

**III. Those Worthy of the Gospel are  
Fearless for the Gospel**

**IV. Those Worthy of the Gospel  
Rejoice in Suffering for the Gospel**

# **Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:**

**1) Suffering for Christ is Evidence  
of Our Salvation**

## **I Peter 4:12-14 -**

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

# **Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:**

## **1) Suffering for Christ is Evidence of Our Salvation**

**II Timothy 3:12 -**

All who live godly in Christ Jesus will be  
persecuted.

# **Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:**

**2) In Our Suffering we Experience  
an Unusual Nearness of God**

## **Romans 8:14-18 -**

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs- heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with...



## **Romans 8:14-18 -**

him. For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

# **Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:**

**2) In Our Suffering we Experience  
an Unusual Nearness of God**

**3) God is Sovereignly Working our  
Suffering to Good**

# **Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:**

## **4) We are Promised Eternal Reward**

**II Corinthians 4:17 -**

These momentary light afflictions are producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond compare!

# Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:

## 4) We are Promised Eternal Reward

**Matthew 5:10-12 -**

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

# **Four Reasons Suffering is a Privilege:**

## **4) We are Promised Eternal Reward**

### **II Timothy 2:3 -**

Suffer hardship with me as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

### **I Thessalonians 2:4 -**

Just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the Gospel, so we speak not as pleasing men, but God who examines our hearts.