

Scripture

II Timothy 2:8-13

Look for our event!



A photograph of a garden with numerous pink tulips in the foreground. In the background, there is a stone wall or ledge. The scene is slightly blurred, giving it a soft, artistic feel. The text 'Why Bother?' is overlaid in the center in a bold, black font.

Why Bother?

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I. We Guard the Gospel as We Endure Hardship for the Gospel - Vs. 9-12

Matthew 10:22 -

You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

James 1:12 -

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

II. Motivations to Endurance

A. Endure in Hope - Vs. 8-12

Hebrews 12:1-2 -

Let us run with endurance the race set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the Author and Perfector of our faith.

Romans 1:1-4 -

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Romans 8:16-18 -

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 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.

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Luke 24:26 -

Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter into glory?

Revelation 3:21 -

The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne.

II. Motivations to Endurance

B. Endure for a Purpose - Vs. 9-10

Philippians 1:12-14 -

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

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B. Endure for a Purpose - Vs. 9-10

Acts 28:30-31 -

He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.

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B. Endure for a Purpose - Vs. 9-10

Acts 18:9-10 -

And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, “Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people.”

II. Motivations to Endurance

C. Endure Through a Promise - Vs. 11-13

Matthew 10:33 -

Whoever denies me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

I John 1:9 -

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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Lamentations 3:21-23 -

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:
The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his
mercies never come to an end; they are new every
morning; great is your faithfulness.