The Durable Disciple Part 3

Today's Scripture ~ 2 *Corinthians 1-12*

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- multiplication, but for strengthening every believer.
- teaching, but for creating and maintaining relationships.
- structure but for the challenges.

Life will be difficult and discouraging.

We all need the fuel of God given continually.

Nehemiah said, "... Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." Nehemiah 8:10 (Lev. 23:40 & Deut. 12:18)

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Psalm 51:12

Five Signs that you're low on Joy!

Lacking F_____ 2 Cor. 1:24-2:4

Focus on what God has _____ done.

For the word of the LORD is right and true; He is faithful in all He does. Psalm 33:4

Lacking F____ Contact 2 Cor. 4:1 & 6

""The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26 1 Chron. 16:11, Psalm 27:8, 67:1, 105:4, Rev. 22:4

Don't focus on the , focus on God.

... "You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen the One who sees me." Genesis 16:13

I will be glad and rejoice in your love, for you saw my affliction and knew the anguish of my soul. Psalm 31:7 Lacking a F_____ of Appreciation in struggles 2 Cor. 6:4-10 & 7:4

Focus on what's about the person or situation.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble. whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Philippians 4:8

Lacking F_____ of Kindness

2 Cor. 8:1-2

Focus on their _____ not your disappointments.

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Luke 6:38

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe vourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and Colossians 3:12 patience.

Lacking peace because of your $F_{\underline{\hspace{1cm}}2 \text{ Cor. } 12:8-10}$

Focus on God's _____ not your struggles.

I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being. Ephesians 3:16

I can do all this through Him who gives me strength. And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:13 & 19

Optional Reading: Notice the significance and strength in joy. **Nehemiah** 8 ¹⁰ **Psalm** 27 ⁶ 30 ⁵ 47 ¹ **Prov.** 10 ²⁸ **Isaiah** 9 ³ **Luke** 15 ⁷ **John** 16 ²²⁻²⁴ **Rom.** 14 ¹⁷ 15 ¹³ **Gal.** 5 ²² **Phil.** 4 ⁴ **James** 1 ² **1 Peter** 1 ⁸⁻⁹