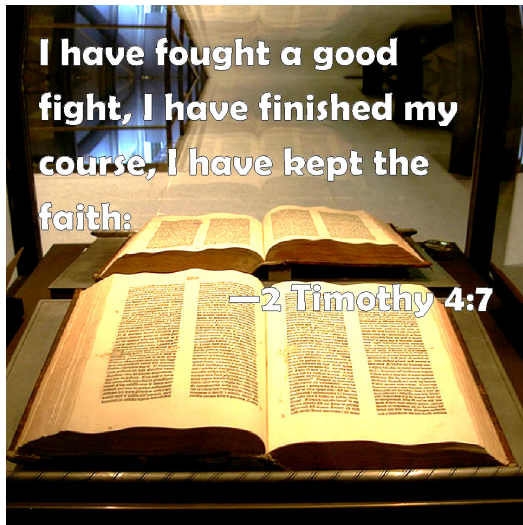


Hard Pressed Progress - Philippians Chapter 3

Phil 3:14 “I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

My quote... I need to pursue my life, my job, my relationship with Christ relentlessly as if my life depends on it.



Hard Pressed Progress - Philippians Chapter 3:14a

Pursue hard, with your eye on the goal

This is not just shooting to the target. This is not just running to the finish line. This is a completely different mind that takes you from your nominal lifestyle to your next level. This is not an easy adjustment to the end of a program; it is the painful pursuit from your level to the next level.

This is **Hard Pressed Progress!**

We need to: Pursue hard, with our eye on the goal

1. My Vacation is OVER

Moses – Hebrews 11:23-29

24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; **25** Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; **26** Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for **he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.**

Esther – Book of Esther Chapter 4 for *such* a time as this

Jesus – Phil. 2:5-11 “Let this mind be in you”

2. I Accept the Challenge

Noah – ridiculed for 126 years – Genesis 6,7; Hebrews 11:7

Jeremiah – called to a rebellious people, 50 years

Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, *and* I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

Apostle Paul – shown what things he must suffer

Acts 9:16 For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

3. My Heart is Committed to Christ

“For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain” Phil. 1:21

“I keep my body under subjection” **1 Cor. 9:24** Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

25 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things.

Now they *do it* to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. **26** I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

27 But I keep under my body, and bring *it* into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

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