

## The Diligent Will Endure to the End

Pr 12:24 and 27 are talking about the diligent who will rule with Messiah, but the ones who aren't diligent will be put to forced labor (slave labor) — and they'll be made to be diligent by beating them until He gets to the heart and they become diligent. If it is talking about us (obviously it is) we'll have to be turned over to the torturers (those who make you conform) — but I think our Father wants to do it by His Spirit — because we love Him and we have patience.

Nehemiah said, “Good men put their necks to the work and finished the wall” in 52 days. (Yoneq talked about the work that the boys are doing over there on a building they are working on.) Hakam could possibly be coming over here for a few weeks before the boys go back home. I want a good report for the boys that they have been diligent workers and their abba will be so proud of them that they were diligent and they weren't slothful or lazy. It talks about it in Pr 12:24 and 27.

I looked up the word *diligent* today and I know it's only the diligent who will endure until the end and will be a part of that light that's a witness of the kingdom of God. I looked up the word *diligent*, and then right underneath *diligent* there is another word — *dilly-dally*. And we know that word, *dilly-dally*, in English, is almost the opposite of *diligent*. It says, “Only the diligent will endure until the end” — only the diligent *can* endure until the end, to be a part of that witness — it says only the diligent will endure until the end (Mt 24:13). And only those who endure until the end will be saved. All others will be put to forced labor. No matter what — if we don't endure until the end with the same diligence. Look up the word, *diligent*.

**Diligent** — unremitting (not giving up) continual in effort, making an effort to not dilly-dally or relax.

Unremitting in labor — and I know enduring until the end is a spiritual labor. *Diligent* means, industrious, hard-working. But if we are not diligent in what we have been assigned to do (doing the works that have been pre-arranged for us to do) we can have no confidence that we will endure to the end. He chose us from the beginning before the foundation of the earth and He chose each one of us that we might come to be like His Son through our works. So that's why Paul said to be zealous for those good works, because that's what purifies us to be worthy of Messiah. And that's why we should be jealous of those good works, to do them and diligently carry them out — *diligently* carry them out. Diligence is our most precious possession because it brings us to the very image of Messiah. If we not being diligent, then we are not responding to the Holy Spirit. Diligence is the right response to the work that was given to us to do. And if we don't we will experience a thousand years of forced labor — 9,700,000 hours of forced labor! So that's what happens if we aren't diligent in everything we do.

There are people who are diligent to rule over their spirits and they do so by the Holy Spirit. They do it by prayer. Those who don't listen aren't diligent. When people begin to talk and you start thinking about something else — that is an evil spirit (an errant spirit). It's an evil spirit. Remember that. The truth will be told at the judgment, if something carried your mind off of the Word of God — it is an evil spirit — you are subject to demons. And you can be carried away to do Satan's will. There is a promise in the Word of God: 2 Tim 2:26. We can be captivated, captured by Satan to do his will through thoughts — thinking (spirits). We don't even realize that we're receiving a spirit when we're talking to someone and they talk to us about something else. When you're singing — a prayer of praise or thanksgiving or a prayer — and you're not able to pray that prayer with him — you've been taken off by an evil spirit. Believe me — there's no other spirit — there's the Holy Spirit and there's an evil spirit. There's no neutral ground. We are either with Him or against Him. You're either with eternal life or without eternal life. You're either diligent or not diligent. The diligent will rule with Him and those who aren't diligent will be put to forced labor for 1,000 years. People living without the Holy Spirit in the Community — they've been to hell — they've been to forced labor — it's hell, a horrible life because they do not have His precious gift of the Holy Spirit. They did not surrender their lives.

When we sing songs of thanksgiving and grace and prayers and we are thinking about something else, we are just singing in rote. Your mouth is saying one thing and your heart is saying another. You need to repent. Be sure your sins will find you out. You can fool your parents, you can fool your brothers and sisters, but you can't

fool God. If we're not diligent, we're just dilly-dallying around. And you know who dilly-dallies and who's diligent. The opposite of *diligent* is *dilly-dally*. *Dilly-dally* just means *delay* (you delay in doing something, you hesitate, you linger, you procrastinate, you waver) — it's the opposite of diligent.

*Diligent* is being conscientious in your work, knowing what you're doing. This is what being diligent means. You are diligent with your hands, and you pass things on to your children. Some parents are diligent for years with their children and they are not passing on that sin to them — are they? If you pass on that sin of dilly-dallying to our children — the third and fourth generation is certainly not going to be the Male Child, are they?

Ex 20:4-5 — If the parents are giving in to an evil spirit, they are worshipping idols (they are worshipping something other than God, not giving themselves totally to our Father — they are idol worshippers) and eventually it goes into the children. The children become like their parents and they pass it on to the third and fourth generations. If they pass it on to their children, they are those who will not be taken up with our Master when He comes. They will not be worthy to be taken up.

We have to be diligent to be rulers with our Master. Parents love to hear nothing more than that their children are diligent. They love to hear reports from the teacher that their child is diligent in school. So, it's wonderful the things we're hearing. We'll talk about it more.

Our life will reach the ends of the earth and bring about the end of this age. It will subdue Satan and bring our Master back to the earth and the millennial age will begin and those who have not been diligent to endure aren't going to be in that Kingdom. They're going to have to be put to forced labor. So, understand that. To endure means that a person is diligent — that's what it means. To endure is to be diligent — there is no other way we can do it without diligence — there is no more precious possession. And everything a man does — working, talking, studying, reading, eating — we can't dilly-dally in any single way or we waste precious time.

Mt 24:13 — “Those who endure until the end will be saved.” “Those who endure until the end with diligence — they bring about the end of the age.” They will be rewarded for their diligence — those who were faithful with great responsibilities. We will always have all these circumstances, all these problems.

Our Master said there will be those who believe in Him who will die; but they'll live again. There will also be people who will live and never see death. And also He talks about a generation who will not see death (Mt 24:34). They will never see death. That's marvelous news — a generation who will see these things coming about. And it's in Lk 21:8-11.

(Eating more food than we need — that is a sin. It causes nausea, headaches, emotional problems. We will not live to see Him return if we overeat.)

Jn 11:25 — our Master said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life, whoever believes in Me, trusts in Me, relies on Me — though he may die physically — they'll live.” “Whoever lives and believes in Me, has faith in Me, shall never die.” One line says, “You shall die,” and the next line says, “You shall never die.” Mt 24:34 — that generation will see those things come about and that generation will not see death. We have conquered the evil one. We're together in unity (Lk 21:34-36).

So let's be careful that we understand these things.

God makes a home for the lonely. It is so wonderful that we may have had so-called friends, but they weren't really friends. They would leave us alone. We were really lonely. But here He makes a home for us, a place to belong. Only those who rebel against love — the rebellious — will dwell in a parched land. I'm so thankful we weren't rebellious. We heard Him call us to come into His home. Thankful for our children — our wonderful, wonderful children that our Father gave us.

A *coward* is most unlike God. Rev 21:8 — A coward is listed as number one. These are things that keep people from having eternal life, even living by their own conscience. The greatest thing that God detests is a person being a coward — fearful. God did not create man to be fearful. Rev 21:8 — there's about five or six things that are listed. People who live in the world are going to go to the second death *if* they are a coward, and all the other things listed here. Is God a coward? You might wonder what's so wrong with being a coward? Can you imagine — here He is, the Son of God, confessing that He is a coward? A lot of us were cowards. So be thankful you've been liberated from

your condition.

God is a healer — He's restoring humans back to being like Him. That's liberation! Does He want a coward in His kingdom? Of course not! Everyone who's in the kingdom has to be like Yahshua — was Yahshua a coward? Did Yahshua fully represent God? He was an exact representation of God. When you saw Him, you saw God. When you saw God, you saw Him. Well, God lives in us. So therefore we now need to see ourselves transformed by the renewing of our minds. As long as we hold on to our sin and never confess it, we'll always have it in us. We may go on to see His return, but we won't be worthy of Him — that means we're not going to be compatible with Him and sit as His bride.

This is the testing ground. This is where we're tried and tested — healed of all the wrong maladies. What are some of the other things listed there? What is number 2? Unbelief. "You maligned my name — you were a coward. Away from Me into the second death." Will He say, "All cowards, come on in and let's eat — all cowards?" Of course not! Because man is responsible — he can say no to good or evil in his heart. Man has the knowledge of good and evil in his conscience.

What are some of the other things listed? Unbelief. Abominable. Detestable. How many of you did abominable and detestable acts before you met Yahshua? Abominable and detestable acts — all kinds of perversions. What's another one? Murderers — people who love to murder. What's worse than a murderer? Maybe a coward. What's another one? An immoral person. What's another one? Sorcerers. Another one? Idolatry — other gods. Then liars — all liars. Isn't that amazing. I'm so thankful we can confess this and then Satan has no power in our lives. If you confess it you're not going to have to hide it anymore. It is going to help you not to be a coward.