

The Missing Ingredient Part 6: Persecution

In our 5th week we are looking at what the Scriptures teach about patience, specifically to persecution.

Hebrews 10:36

For ye have need of patience, that, after (it is required ingredient) ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

Hebrews 10:36 (NLT)

Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised.

Hebrews 6:12

That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Hebrews 6:12 (NLT)

Then you will not become spiritually dull and indifferent. Instead, you will follow the example of those who are going to inherit God's promises because of their faith and endurance.

hypomonē — cheerful (or hopeful) endurance, constancy: — (waiting).

steadfastness, constancy, endurance — in the NT the characteristic of a man who is not swerved from his deliberate purpose and his loyalty to faith and piety by even the greatest trials and sufferings

Matthew 10:22 (KJV Strong's) 22 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

hypomenō -- to stay under (behind), i.e. remain; bear (trials), have fortitude, persevere: — abide, endure, (take) patient(-ly), suffer, tarry behind.

Matthew 18:26-35

26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. 27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

Matthew 18:26

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Have patience with me...

makrothymeō — to be of a long spirit, not to lose heart
—to persevere patiently and bravely in enduring misfortunes and troubles

—to be patient in bearing the offenses and injuries of others

—to be mild and slow in avenging

—to be longsuffering, slow to anger, slow to punish

James 2:13 (ESV)

13 For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. **Mercy triumphs over judgment.**

James 5:7-12

Be patient (makrothymeō) therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience (makrothymeō) for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. 8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. 9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door. 10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an

example of suffering affliction (kakopatheia-hardship), and of patience (makrothymeō). 11 Behold, we count them happy which endure (hypomenō—that bear the trials and do not flee). Ye have heard of the patience (hypomonē) of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy. 12 But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.

John 15:1-7

I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. 2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. 3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. 5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. 6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. 7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

The patience of Job

1 Peter 1:8-9

Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice (agalliaō—jump for joy) with joy unspeakable and full of glory: 9 Receiving the end (telos) of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

Romans 12:12-13

Rejoicing (chairō—to verbally be cheerful and glad) in hope; patient (hypomenō) in tribulation(thlipsis); continuing instant in

prayer (proseuchē); 13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

Romans 12:17-21

Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. 18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. 19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. 20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. 21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.