Tenacious Faith

Dan Kraft February 11, 2018 PM Service Romans 1:17, James 1:4, Luke 21:19, Joshua 24:15-16, Psalms 37:10, Isaiah 50:4-10, Luke 2:25, Hebrews 10:36-39, 1 Peter 5:8-9, Ephesians 6:13-14,

Grace makes blessings available but faith obtains

There are a lot of people that are called to the ministry but only a few are tenacious enough to proceed.

We have to be tenacious about everyting we are doning

Tenacious - firm, tight, clinging, strong, powerful, not readily relinquishing a position or course of action, determined, resolute, unwavering, unswerving

Romans 1:17

For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Tenacious faith takes you from a lesser faith to a greater faith

James 1:4

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

The pressures of life forces our faith out into the open and shows its true colors.

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Luke 21:19

In your patience possess ye your souls.

Luke 21:19 MSG Staying with it--that's what is required. Stay with it to the end. You won't be sorry; you'll be saved.

Anything worth doing is worth taking time to do it right

You have to grow in it and it never gets boring

You have to be tenacious with your children. If you don't have a plan for them, they will have a plan for you.

When you are tenacious about something it shows you care about it.

Tenacious faith is a family faith

Put God first on the first day of the weak

Joshua 24:15

And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

Joshua 24:16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods;

You have to be tenacious in holding your ground.

You have to be tenacious with other people and family. Stick together.

Psalms 37:10

For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.

The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.

Isaiah 50:5 The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back.

I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me.

Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.

Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.

You have to be tenacious in waiting for Jesus to come

Luke 2:25

And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

Hebrews 10:36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

Hebrews 10:37 For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.

Hebrews 10:38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

Hebrews 10:39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

1 Peter 5:8

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

1 Peter 5:9

Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

1 Peter 5:10

But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

You have to keep going until your body quits

Psalms 40:1 I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

Ephesians 6:13

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Ephesians 6:14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

No matter how tenacious you are sometimes it is bigger than you. Then you need God.