

## Hebrews 10:32-37-NKJV

32 But recall the former days in which, after you were illuminated, you endured a great struggle with sufferings:

33 partly while you were made a spectacle both by reproaches and tribulations, and partly while you became companions of those who were so treated;

34 for you had compassion on me in my chains, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have a better and an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven.

35 Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward.

36 For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:

37 "FOR YET A LITTLE WHILE, AND HE WHO IS COMING WILL COME AND WILL NOT TARRY.

### 1. When hard times come, you respond by: standing your ground.

Verse 32 - ...you endured a great struggle with sufferings...

- **LB** - ...how you kept right on with the Lord even though it meant terrible suffering...
- **Passion** - ...endured a great marathon season of suffering hardships, yet you stood your ground...
- **Msg.** - *Those were the hard times!*

## Ephesians 6:13-AMP

13 Therefore put on God's complete armor, that you may be able **to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place].**

### 2. When hard times come: we can help others who are going through the same thing.

Verse 33 - ...and partly while you became companions of those **who were so treated...**

**Lb** - ...and sometimes you watched and sympathized with others suffering the same things.

**Passion** - ... then at others times you stood side by side with those ...who preach the message of hope.

## 2Corinthians 1:4-Message Bible

4 He comes alongside us when we go through hard times, and before you know it, **he brings us alongside someone else who is going through hard times so that we can be there for that person** just as God was there for us.

### 3. When hard times come: Let joy be you be your strength knowing God has all you need in heaven.

Verse 34 - ...and **joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have a better and an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven.**

**LB** - ...and **you were actually joyful when all you owned was taken from you, knowing that better things were awaiting you in heaven, things that would be yours forever.**

**MSG.** - ...**Nothing they did bothered you, nothing set you back...**

**Passion** - **and when all your belongings were confiscated you accepted that violation with joy; convinced that you possess a treasure growing in heaven that could never be taken from you.**

### 4. When hard times come: Keep your confidence in God, so He can bring to pass His best for you.

Verse 35 - ...Therefore **do not cast away your confidence,** which has **great reward.**

**LB** - ...**Do not let this happy trust in the Lord die away,** no matter what happens. **Remember your reward!**

**Passion** - ...**So don't lose your bold, courageous faith,** for you are **destined for a great reward!**

**MSG.** - ...**So don't throw it all away now.** *You were sure of yourselves then. **It's still a sure thing!***

Verse-36 - ... **For you have need of endurance,** so that **after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:**

**LB** - ...**You need to keep on patiently doing God's will if you want him to do for you all that he has promised.**

**Passion** - ...**You need the strength of endurance** to do God's will **and then** you receive the promise in full.

## 2Corinthians 8:2-Passion

2For even during a season of severe difficulty and tremendous suffering, they became even more filled with joy. From the depths of their extreme poverty, super-abundant joy overflowed into an act of extravagant generosity.

## Psalm 118:15-NKJV

The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the righteous; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly.

MSG - ...15-16 ...Hear the shouts, hear the triumph songs in the camp of the saved? "The hand of GOD has turned the tide! . The hand of GOD is raised in victory! The hand of GOD has turned the tide!"

## Psalm 47:1-4

1 Come, everyone, and clap for joy! Shout triumphant praises to the Lord! 2 For the Lord, the God above all gods, is awesome beyond words; he is the great King of all the earth. 3 He subdues the nations before us 4 and will personally select his choicest blessings for his Jewish people—the very best for those he loves.

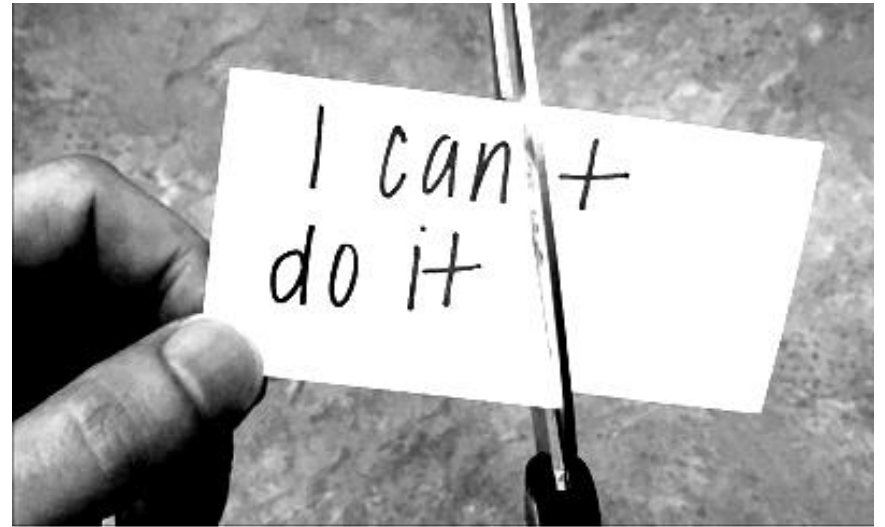
## Philippians 4:4

"Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice."

Passion - ...4 Be cheerful with joyous celebration in every season of life. Let joy overflow, for you are united with the Anointed One!

## Psalm 30:5

"weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the morning."



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