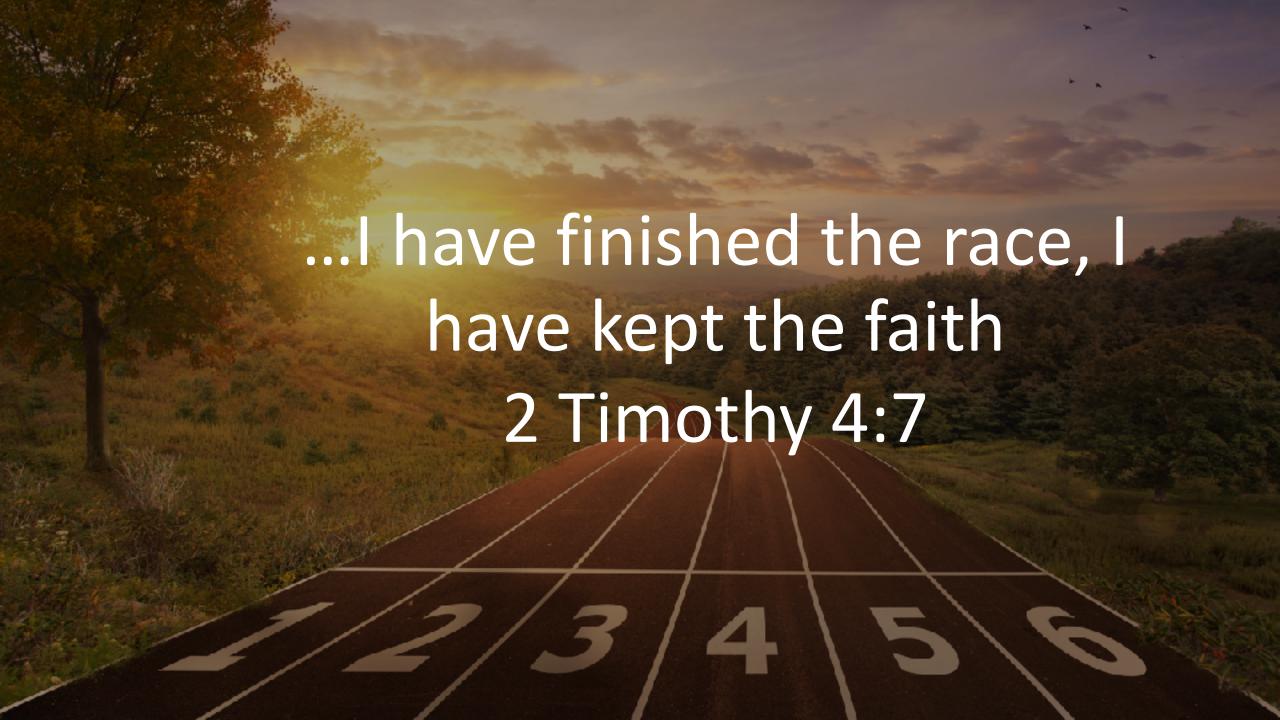


Hebrews 12:1

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us





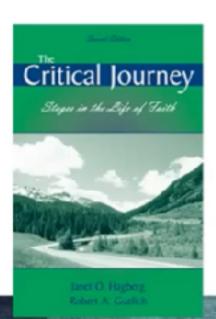




Spiritual Journey



Hagberg & Guelich



STAGE 6

LIFE OF

LOVE

STAGE 5

JOURNEY

OUTWARD

STAGE 4

JOURNEY

INWARD

STAGE 1

RECOGNITION

OF GOD

STAGE 2

LIFE OF

DISCIPLESHIP

STAGE 3

PRODUCTIVE

LIFE



Spiritual Journey Stages



EGO DRIVEN

RECOGNITION

OF GOD

THE PRODUCT LIFE OF

DISCIPLESHIP

LIFE

THE WALL (S)

JOURNEY

INWARD OUTWARD LIFE **JOURNEY**

OF LOVE

LOVE DRIVEN

ONE WITH

THE SPIRIT IN

TRUTH AND LOVE



THE CRITICAL JOURNEY



Greek - hupomonē

Hopeful Endurance, Steadfastness, Perseverance



Romans 5:3-4

Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that <u>suffering produces endurance</u>, 4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope

Character = Experience = Trustworthy = Proof It can withstand the heat - will not falter.

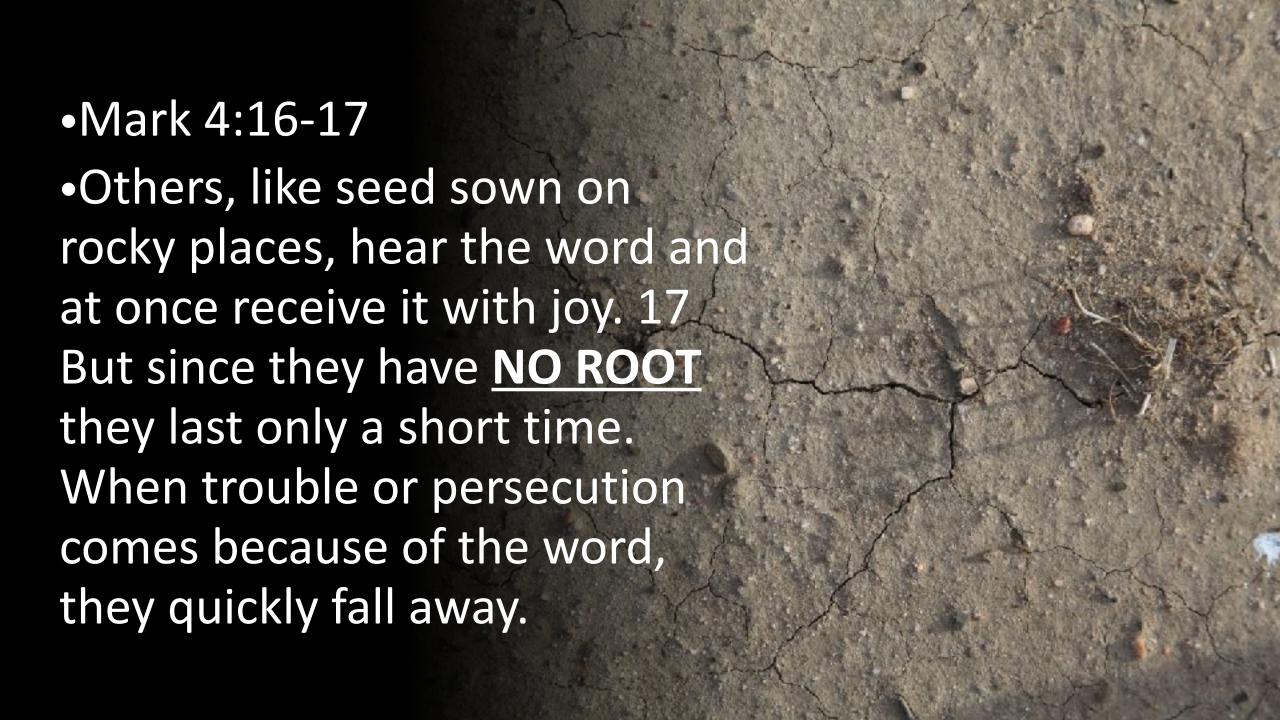


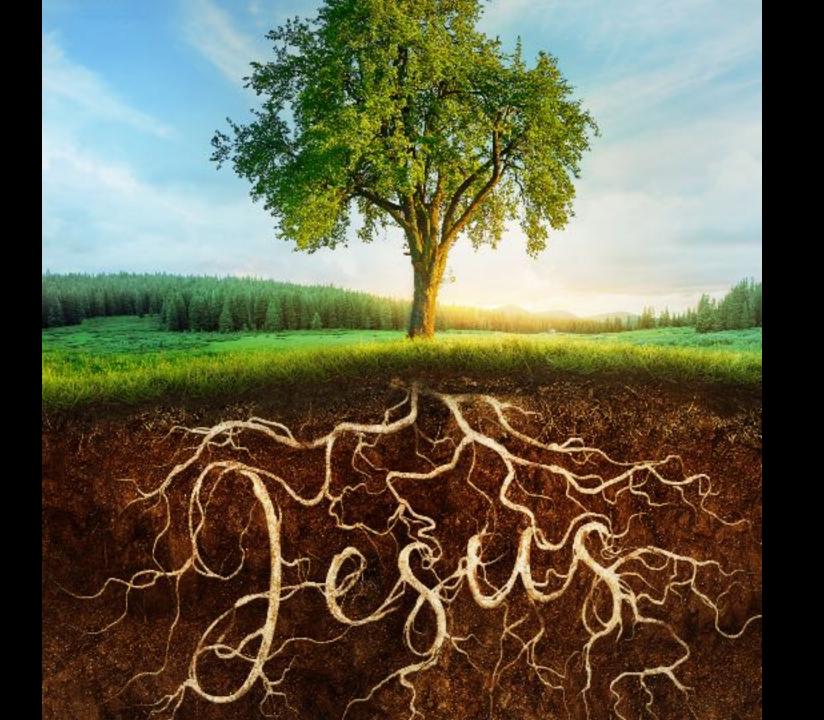
Hebrews 12:7,11

Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children....No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.



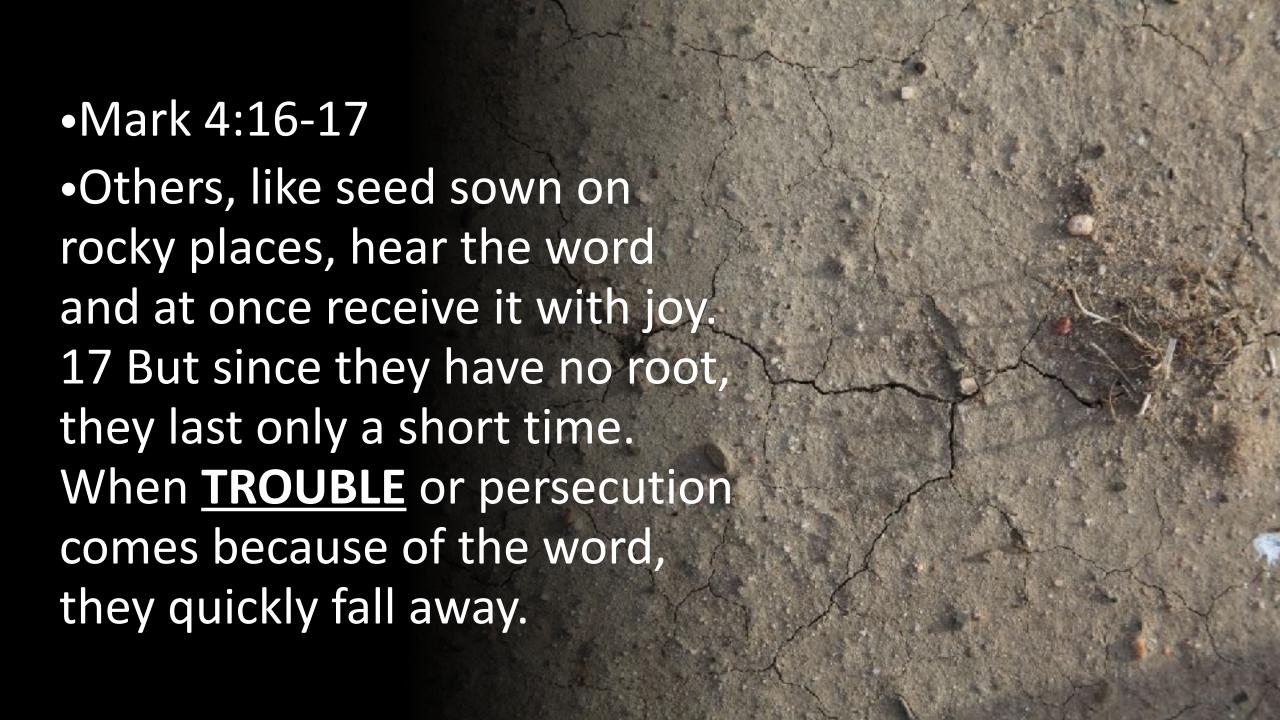
The only failure is to quit.

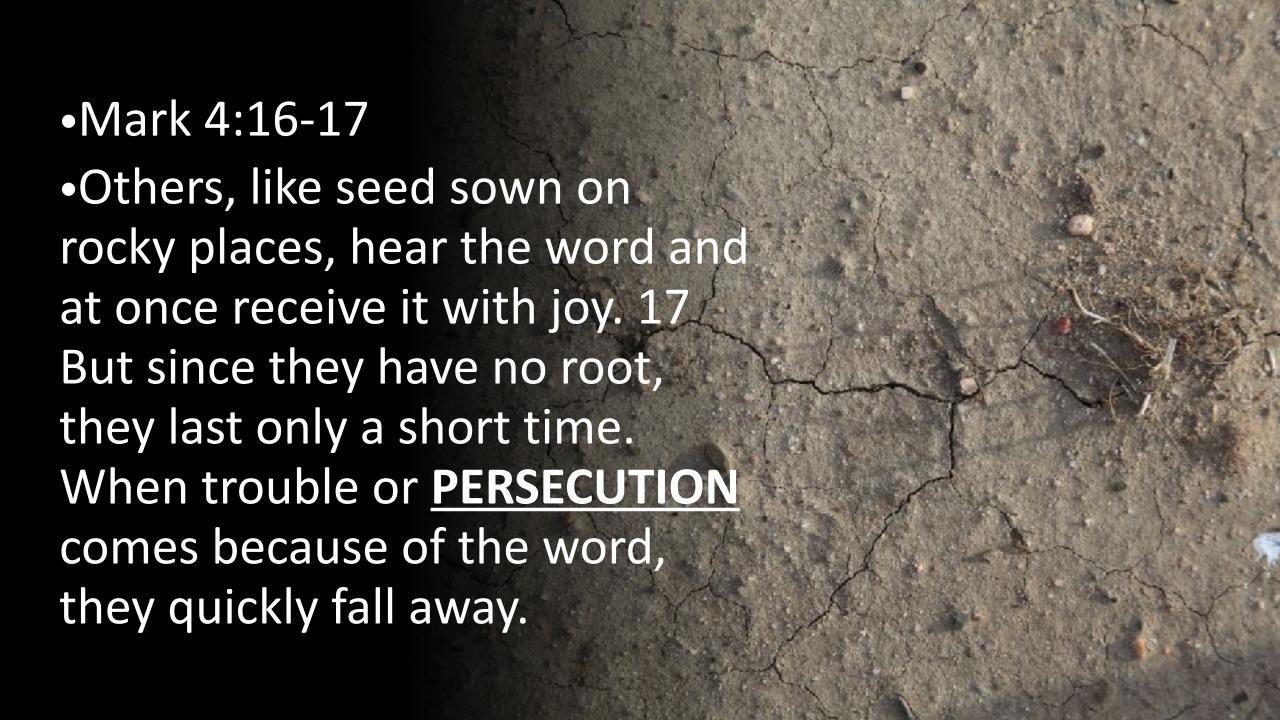




"It takes a year to get a year's experience"

Marty Fuqua





By standing firm, you will gain life.

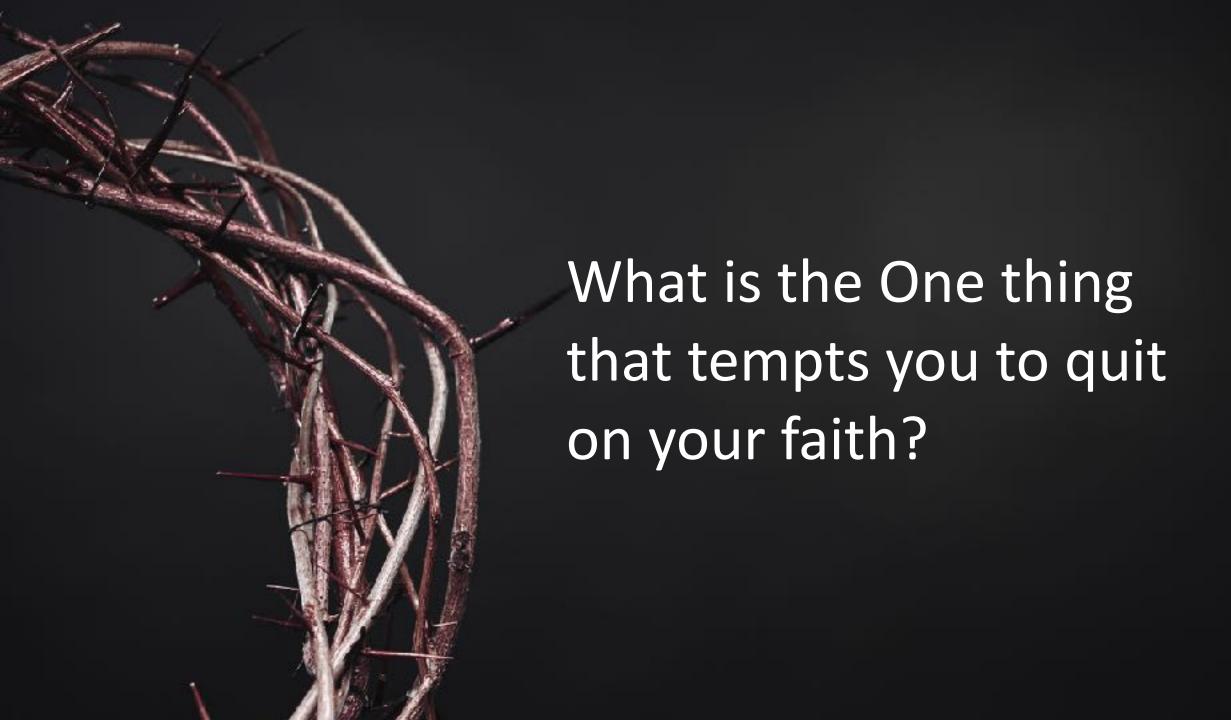
Luke 21:19

"Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life"

Revelation 2:10

"Only hold fast what you have until I come."

Revelation 2:25



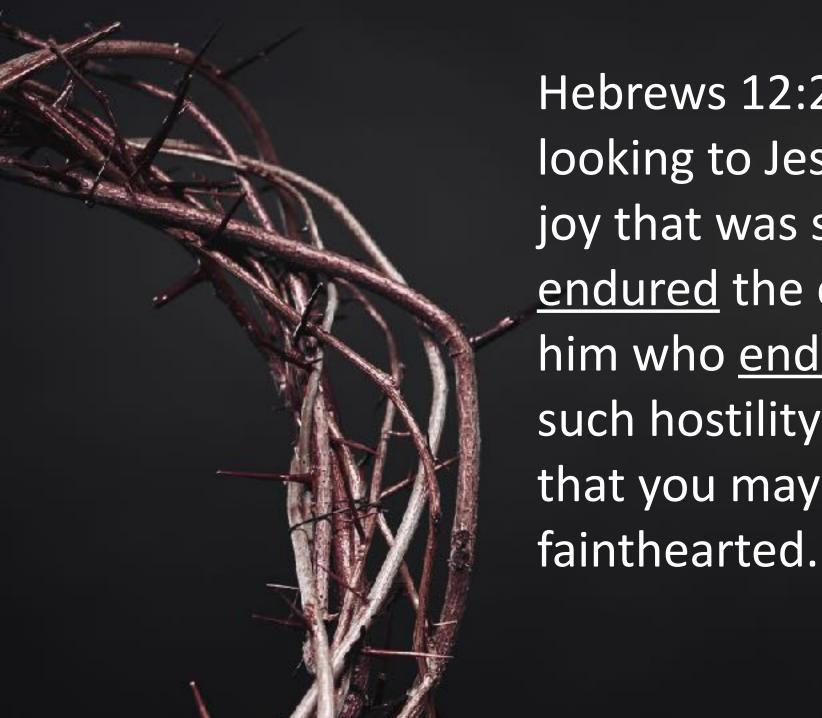


Endurance Mindset

- Remember the Early Days
- Stand Side by Side
- Consider the Reward
- Consider Jesus

Hebrews 10:32

Remember those earlier days after you had received the light, when you endured in a great conflict full of suffering...you stood side by side with those so treated...35 So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. 36 You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.



Hebrews 12:2-3 looking to Jesus,...who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, ...3 Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or

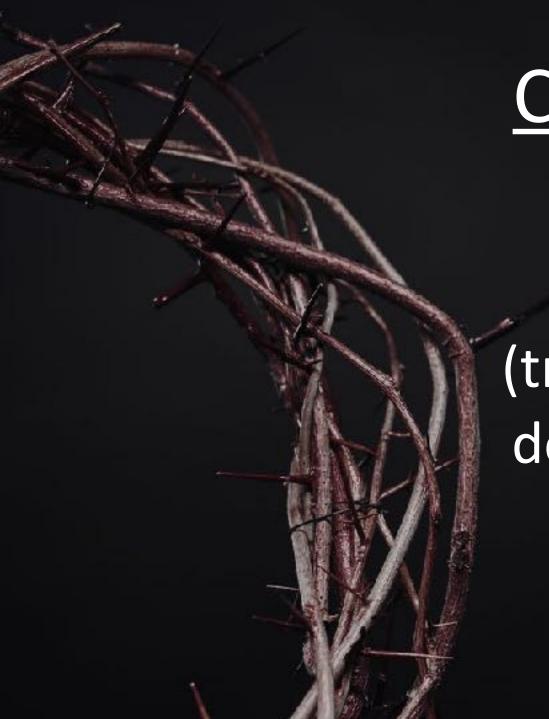


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Communion Question

Which area of endurance (training, deep roots, mindset) do you need to focus on most in order to endure?