

Diligent

Ecclesiastes 9:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ Whatever your hand finds to do, do *it* with your might; for *there is* no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going.

Romans 12:11 (NKJV)

¹¹ not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

Colossians 3:23 (NKJV)

²³ And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men,

Ecclesiastes 11:1–8 (NKJV)

The Value of Diligence

¹ Cast your bread upon the waters,
For you will find it after many days.
² Give a serving to seven, and also to eight,
For you do not know what evil will be on the earth.
³ If the clouds are full of rain,
They empty *themselves* upon the earth;
And if a tree falls to the south or the north,
In the place where the tree falls, there it shall lie.
⁴ He who observes the wind will not sow,
And he who regards the clouds will not reap.
⁵ As you do not know what *is* the way of the wind,
Or how the bones *grow* in the womb of her who is with child,
So you do not know the works of God who makes everything.
⁶ In the morning sow your seed,
And in the evening do not withhold your hand;
For you do not know which will prosper,
Either this or that,
Or whether both alike *will be* good.
⁷ Truly the light is sweet,
And *it is* pleasant for the eyes to behold the sun;
⁸ But if a man lives many years
And rejoices in them all,
Yet let him remember the days of darkness,
For they will be many.
All that is coming *is* vanity.

2 Timothy 4:8 (NKJV)

⁸ Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Proverbs 10:4–5 (NKJV)

⁴ He who has a slack hand becomes poor, But the hand of the diligent makes rich.
⁵ He who gathers in summer *is* a wise son; He who sleeps in harvest *is* a son who causes shame.

Proverbs 13:4 (NKJV)

⁴ The soul of a lazy *man* desires, and *has* nothing;
But the soul of the diligent shall be made rich.

Hebrews 11:6 (NKJV)

⁶ But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

1 Peter 5:8 (NKJV)

⁸ Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Luke 18:1–8 (NKJV)

Parable of the Woman and the Judge

18 Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart, ² saying: “**There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man.** ³ **Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, ‘Get justice for me from my adversary.’** ⁴ **And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, ‘Though I do not fear God nor regard man,** ⁵ **yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.’ ”**

⁶ Then the Lord said, “**Hear what the unjust judge said.** ⁷ **And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them?** ⁸ **I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?”**