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...let us <u>lay aside</u> every <u>weight</u>, and the sin which doth so easily <u>beset</u> us, and let us run with patience the <u>race</u> that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and <u>finisher</u> of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him <u>endured</u> the cross... (Hebrews 12:1-2 KJV)

...the race is not to the \underline{swift} , nor the battle to the \underline{strong} ... (Ecclesiastes 9:11 KJV)

Be patient, then brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its <u>valuable</u> crop and how patient he is for the <u>autumn</u> and spring rains. (James 5:7 NIV)

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be $\underline{\text{revealed}}$ in us. (Romans 8:18 KJV)

Consider it <u>pure</u> joy, my brothers, whenever you face <u>trials</u> of many kinds, because you know that the <u>testing</u> of your faith develops perseverance. <u>Perseverance</u> must finish its work so that you may be <u>mature</u> and <u>complete</u>, not <u>lacking</u> anything. (James 1:2-4 NIV)

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

Let us not become $\underline{\text{weary}}$ in doing good, for at the $\underline{\text{proper}}$ time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. (Galatians 6:9 NIV)

...<u>rejoice</u> in our <u>sufferings</u>, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and <u>character</u>, hope. And <u>hope</u> does not <u>disappoint</u> us, because God has <u>poured</u> out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us. (Romans 5:3-5 NIV)

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