

Why Do You Serve God?

Job 1:8-11

- Satan Accused Job of Serving God For Material Gain (Job. 1:8-11; 1:21-22; Job 2:9-10)
- Gal . 6:6-10 → And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.
- Three Keys To Keep From Growing Weary In Well Doing...
 - **Be Patient.**
 - “the ability to hold out, bear up, to hold on, persevere and endure.”
 - Job’s outstanding trait. (Js. 5:10-11)
 - Patience takes the long range view:
 - Athletic training
 - Investing
 - Education
 - Jesus extolled the virtue of patience:
 - Matt. 24:12-13 → ¹² And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
¹³ But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.
 - Lk. 21:19 → ¹⁹ In your patience possess ye your souls.
 - The epistles...
 - Hebrews (10:36; 12:1)
 - James (1:2-4; 5:7-8)
 - I Peter (1:6-9; 2:19-21)
 - **See Yourself As A Farmer.**
 - Great lessons to be learned from tilling soil, sowing seed, falling rain, reaping harvest.
 - (Js. 5:7-8)
 - The Farmer must not loose faith in the growing process:
 - (Jn. 4:34-38)
 - (Lk. 8:5-8)
 - (I Cor. 3:6-8)
 - **Be Far-Sighted.**
 - Take the long view of God’s blessings. (II Cor. 4:16-18)
 - In the short-term, doing the right things is not always easy.
 - We must keep focused on the goal. (Eccl. 9:11)
 - Taking the long view requires maintaining trust in God. (Ex. 5:22; II Cor. 12:9; Heb. 10:23)
 - “I know that my Redeemer lives” (Job. 19:23)