

1 Corinthians 15:58

“...knowing that your toil is not *in* vain in the Lord.”

Introduction

- Sometimes we become discouraged, tired or distracted in our Christian service
- Unlike earthly labor, we forget that our labor in the Lord is not in vain
- Through Jesus, we gain victory in eternal life
- If we are willing to abundantly labor in the Lord now, we will not be disappointed

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Therefore,

1Co 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not *in* vain in the Lord.

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1Co 15:20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

1Co 15:50 Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

1Co 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed,

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Therefore,

1Co 15:52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

1Co 15:54 But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory.

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Therefore,

1Co 15:55 "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?"

1Co 15:56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law;

1Co 15:57 but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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my beloved brethren,

1Jn 4:10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

1Jn 4:11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

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my beloved brethren,

1Co 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind *and* is not jealous; love does not brag *and* is not arrogant,

1Co 13:5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong *suffered*,

1Co 13:6 does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;

1Co 13:7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸

be steadfast, immovable,

steadfast

From a derivative of... (to *sit*); *sedentary*, that is, (by implication) *immovable*: - settled, stedfast.

immovable

...a derivative of G3334; *immovable*: - unmovable.

Strong's Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries

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be steadfast, immovable,

Col 1:21 And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, *engaged* in evil deeds,

Col 1:22 yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach--

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be steadfast, immovable,

Col 1:23 if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard, which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister.

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be steadfast, immovable,

1Co 15:1 Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand,

1Co 15:2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain.

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be steadfast, immovable,

Gal 1:8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed!

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

abounding

From G4053; to *superabound* (in quantity or quality), *be in excess, be superfluous*;...

work

toil (as an effort or occupation); by implication an *act*: - deed, doing, labour, work.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Joh 6:28 Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?"

Joh 6:29 Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent."

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Eph 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it* is the gift of God;

Eph 2:9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Eph 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Jas 2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up Isaac his son on the altar?

Jas 2:22 You see that faith was working with his works, and as a result of the works, faith was perfected;

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Jas 2:23 and the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "AND ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS," and he was called the friend of God.

Jas 2:24 You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone.

Jas 2:26 For just as the body without *the* spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Mat 13:12 "For whoever has, to him *more* shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him.

Mat 13:13 "Therefore I speak to them in parables; because while seeing they do not see, and while hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Mat 25:28 'Therefore take away the talent from him, and give it to the one who has the ten talents.'

Mat 25:29 "For to everyone who has, *more* shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Act 26:20 but *kept* declaring both to those of Damascus first, and *also* at Jerusalem and *then* throughout all the region of Judea, and *even* to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds appropriate to repentance.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Tit 2:14 who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

1Th 4:1 Finally then, brethren, we request and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us *instruction* as to how you ought to walk and please God (just as you actually do walk), that you excel still more.

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always abounding in the work of
the Lord,

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.

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knowing that your toil is not *in*
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toil

From G2875; a *cut*, that is, (by analogy) *toil* (as *reducing* the strength), literally or figuratively; by implication *pains*: - labour, + trouble, weariness.

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knowing that your toil is not *in*
vain in the Lord.

1Th 1:2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of *you* in our prayers;

1Th 1:3 constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father,

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knowing that your toil is not *in*
vain in the Lord.

Rev 14:13 And I heard a voice from heaven, saying, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "so that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them."

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