

ASPIRING LEADERS MORNING

*The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you. **Romans 8:11***

*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believes in Him, shall not die, but have everlasting life. **John 3:16***

***Galatians 6:9** ESV “And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”*

*Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain. **1 CO 15.58***

*Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” **MT 11.28-30***

Knowing the signs are as important as knowing the solution

Someone once asked D.L. Moody if he got tired **of the work** and he replied that he got tired **in** the work but not tired **of** the work which makes perfect sense of Paul writing, “As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good” **2 Thess 3:13**)

- It is far too easy to grow weary when people don't **say thank you** or they seem to take you for granted but we're not doing it for men, we're doing it for God so *“Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ” (Col 3:23-24).*
- *Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. –Isaiah 40:30 (NIV)*
- *They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. –Isaiah 40:31 (NIV)*
 - a) *WHO and WHY do you do what you DO?*
 - b) *WHERE is your HOPE focused?*
 - c) *WHAT is it that empowers you? – FLAPPING of SOARING*

1. We GROW weary – It doesn't "just happen", It is a process -Let us not grow weary.
 - Weariness DOES NOT start in the body, but the mind
 - Weariness of MIND is seen in how we react to pressure, or activity
 - The body is the temple in which our purposes are worked out
 - The SPIRIT does not get weary unless we override it with our MIND
 - The cure to WAERINESS is spiritual engagement, not withdrawal

2. Doing is defined here as *GOOD doing*. This is different from busyness or business.

καλὸν (kalon) Adjective - [Strong's Greek 2570](#): Properly, beautiful, but chiefly good, i.e. Valuable or virtuous.

 - We must prioritise what is virtuous and what is just part of our day
 - We cannot add time to our activities, we must REDEEM (buy back time)
 - We do this by arranging our priorities from a God perspective

3. Due season is in appropriate order Strawberries in Summer, Lemons in Winter
 - In the fullness of time (whose time)?
 - When Gods order and timing are fulfilled
 - When what is necessary to equip us has been accomplished in/through us
 - Anything attained AHEAD of time requires continual maintenance by us
 - What God order, he pays for, what we order WE pay for (time/effort)

4. We will reap. Don't give up.
 - We were created to REAP, to produce fruit, and be fruitful
 - We cannot reap a harvest that hasn't been planted.
 - No farmer stops or quits at sowing season, and expects an outcome
 - Giving up, is the fruit of weariness. Quitting, Resigning, Moving on.

Regardless of how you may feel, there is more in you. God has more to do through you and our church. When the world gets darker, our light shines brighter.

5 Questions For Your Team

As you lead your team strongly in this season, schedule a checkpoint with them this month.

Below are a few questions we're processing as a team—use these as a springboard for your discussions.

Do an honest appraisal of how we are traveling

BELOW IS A PERSONAL REVIEW

1. How are you staying connected to the source—Jesus?

2. How have you personally seen God move in this time?

3. How is your time for play and rest balanced?

4. How has COVID-19 impacted your work/life rhythms, and is there anything I can do to help?

5. How specifically could we be praying for you?

6. What measures do you need to take to be more energised, and what does that look like?

You can run God's race with patient endurance, but the ability to do so comes through the process of cultivating *hope* and practicing *rest* and *renewal* (2 Corinthians 4:16).

Continue to grow in your leadership and make important decisions for your church.

<https://www.patheos.com/blogs/christiancrier/2015/10/12/top-7-bible-verses-about-weariness/>