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SCRIPTURE REFERENCE(S)

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven!
— Matthew 5:10

WARRIOR TOOL

God's justice releases us and others into greater freedom.

PRACTICE

Repentance is the key to releasing the justice of God into your life, the lives of others, into cities and even nations.

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STAY IN FAITH WHEN PERSECUTION ARRIVES

Look up James 1:4. What is the promise of this scripture?

When you began your Jericho march, did you recognize the enemy pushback that began? Because this journey is transformative in so many ways, you can expect difficulties, unfair treatment, and demonic attacks. The enemy is aware of who you are becoming well before you fully recognize or understand who you are and whose you are.

His end game is to discourage you to the point that you give up. In my many years of ministry, I've found that far too many believers won't walk through the tough years or do the hard work to push forward into victory.

The devil is highly aware that most will give in when the heat and destruction arrives. I know this to be true because in my own life, after several unfair accusations, betrayals, a time I thought I was actually going to die, and nearly a year of unemployment, all within a couple of years, I was almost ready to quit. Ugh. It grieves me to write this. HOWEVER, I would think about the devil winning and it made me so mad that I determined to keep walking forward. I'd pray and cry out to God. I would search my heart and repent of anything and everything. I would declare the promises of His Word over my life.

Eventually, the devil will give up. He knows those who will quit and those who are sold out for more of the Kingdom.

That is why there are so many verses in the Word about persistence. I recommend you do a word search. Write down three of your favorites here. Then write them on a 3x5 card and place them somewhere you can read them frequently.

What is persistence?

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ASK JESUS TO TEACH YOU ABOUT PERSISTENCE.

LOOK UP MATTHEW 4:1-11

This is one of the best examples of persistence in the worst of circumstances. What did Jesus do that was so effective here?

Speaking truth into our lives and back to God is one of the most powerful tools to remain on firm ground.

ENGAGE YOUR PRAYER LANGUAGE

There are times that the battle is intensely hot, and confusion is swirling all around. These are the moments and seasons that when we don't know what to pray specifically, we can engage our prayer language and let the Holy Spirit and the angelic realm work from our words spoken in faith and in our heavenly language.

Look up 1 Corinthians 14:2. Write it below. Ask the Lord for greater revelation of this verse. This is the power passage to live from while facing down the devils.

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TRUTH

The truth this, the devil will give up if he knows you are relentless to claim the promises of God. Your persistence will create a breakthrough that will be profound and life-changing. Let me be the voice to encourage you. If I walked through the fire, you can as well.

It's the journey that matters to the Lord. He is looking for mature sons and daughters to carry His mandates and His power and authority. Our seasons of facing the pushback, are also our proving grounds.

Take a minute and ask the Lord, what season am I in right now. What are the concepts and the giftings You are providing to me? Write down what He is teaching you below:

How do I walk through this training in victory?

ACTIVATION

Warrior, I know that this season is difficult. However, the prize awaiting on the other side is freedom. It's your healing and wholeness. And finally, you can then take what the devil meant for evil in your life and it becomes your superpower to release others from his prison.

Use your power, knowledge, love and the Kingdom to bring freedom to those who are on the road behind you. This is the greatest payback to the demonic realm to destroy that kingdom through your victory in Christ.

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In this season remain fully focused on Father, Jesus, and the Spirit. Keep your eyes locked on the Trinity and don't spend too much time engaging the demonic. Too much focus on that realm will keep you bound up there. Spend time in worship, thanksgiving, and praise.

Keep a Thankful Journal and write down every good thing from the Lord. These monuments keep our eyes on Kingdom that leads us into victory.

Pray and never give up. Persistence becomes our Overcomer's Crown!

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

—Matthew 5:11

