

Finishing Faithfully

July 11, 2021

1. Believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God

John 3:16, *“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”*

2. Remain faithful until death

Matthew 24:9-13, *“They will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name. ¹⁰ At that time many will fall away and will betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹ Many false prophets will arise and will mislead many. ¹² Because lawlessness is increased, most people’s love will grow cold. ¹³ But the one who endures to the end, he will be saved. ¹⁴ This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations.”*

Matthew 13:20-23, *“The one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet he has no firm root in himself, but is only temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away. ²² And the one on whom seed was sown among the thorns, this is the man who hears the word, and the worry of the world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. ²³ And the one on whom seed was sown on the good soil, this is the man who hears the word and understands it; who indeed bears fruit and brings forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, and some thirty.”*

1. A firm decision

John 6:66-68, *“Many of Jesus’ disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore. Jesus said to the twelve, “You do not want to go away also, do you? Simon Peter answered Jesus, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.”*

2. Trust in the Lord

Hebrews 12:2, *“Jesus is the author and perfecter of faith.”*

Hebrews 13:5, *“I will never leave you, nor will I ever forsake you.”*

Philippians 3:13-14, *“Forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead,¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”*