

NWC Questions

for Personal Study and Small Groups

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- Would you agree that the lack of endurance and perseverance is a gospel issue? Read the passage out loud...one key verse lets take it apart!!!!
- What is “therefore” therefore? What is Paul drawing our attention back to and what implications does it have on his exhortation?
- Paul calls them “my beloved brothers”...What does this say about the Corinthian's identity? Why is this important and how does this apply to us? What in your life contributes to “spiritual amnesia” and leads you to forget who you are? How does “spiritual amnesia” affect your ability to endure and persevere in the faith?
- What does it mean to be steadfast and immovable? How should the truth of the gospel produce this in us? Can you think of anyone that demonstrates such character?
- How does the gospel grow such steadfast character in you? (Colossians 1:21-23, Hebrews 12:1-3, 2 Peter 1:3-11)
- We are to be “always abounding in the work of the Lord”. How does the gospel create a heart that is abounding...one that is always pressing forward in the work of the Lord? (Jeremiah 31:31-34)
- What is the assurance in those deeds and labors done in the Lord? Why are they not in vain?
- Where in your life are you losing steam? Where are you loosing sight of the shore and ready to give up?
- Is there a connection to spiritual endurance and your own JOF? Can you see what God is doing through every small act of sacrificial giving and how important it is to keep your eyes fixed on the joy set before you? What is that joy...debt retirement or the mission of God?

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