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"My life shall touch a dozen lives before this day is done, save countless marks for good or ill ere sets the evening sun. This is the wish I always wish, the prayer I always pray: Lord, may my life help other lives it touches by the way."

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2 Chronicles 34:1-3, 33

Now before him there was no king like him, who turned to the LORD with all his heart, with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the Law of Moses; nor after him did any arise like him.

—2 KINGS 23:25

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Josiah = "Jehovah will support"

Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth, before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when you say, "I have no pleasure in them."

—ECCLESIATES 12:1

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I. Purpose to know and do the will of God.

For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was still young, he began to seek the God of his father David; and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem of the high places, the wooden images, the carved images, and the molded images.

—2 CHRONICLES 34:3

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Josiah was a "God-seeker"

Seek the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. —ISAIAH 55:6

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Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. —MATT. 7:7

You will seek Me and not find Me, and where I am you cannot come. JOHN 7:34

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But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek

Him. HEBREWS 11:6

Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.

Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended;...

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...but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. —PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14

II. Purge your life of attitudes, activities, alliances, and affections that compete with your loyalty to God.

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—2 CHRONICLES 34:3

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,...

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...looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

—HEBREWS 12:1-2

III. Pattern your life according to biblical principles.

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Then Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, "I have found the Book of the Law in the house of the LORD." And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan. ...Thus it happened, when the king heard the words of the Law, that he tore his clothes.

"Go, inquire of the LORD for me, and for those who are left in Israel and Judah, concerning the words of the book that is found; for great is the wrath of the LORD that is poured out on us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the LORD, to do according to all that is written in this book." 2 CHRONICLES 34:15, 19, 21

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All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

—2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17

IV. Practice what you preach.

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Now Josiah kept a Passover to the LORD in Jerusalem, and they slaughtered the Passover lambs on the fourteenth day of the first month. 2 CHRONICLES 35:1

There had been no Passover kept in Israel like that since the days of Samuel the prophet; and none of the kings of Israel had kept such a Passover as Josiah kept, with the priests and the Levites, all Judah and Israel who were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. 2 CHRONICLES 35:18

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Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.

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But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

—JAMES 1:21-25

V. Persevere in days of hardship.

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Now before him there was no king like him, who turned to the LORD with all his heart, with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the Law of Moses; nor after him did any arise like him.

Nevertheless the LORD did not turn from the fierceness of His great wrath, with which His anger was aroused against Judah, because of all the provocations with which Manasseh had provoked Him.

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And the LORD said, "I will also remove Judah from My sight, as I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, 'My name shall be there.'"

—2 KINGS 23:25-27



London, February 26, 1791
Dear Sir, Unless the divine power has raised you up...l see not how you can go through your glorious enterprise, in opposing that execrable villainy, which is the scandal of religion, of England, and of human nature.

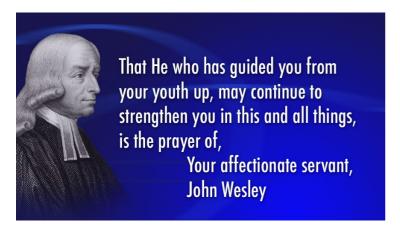
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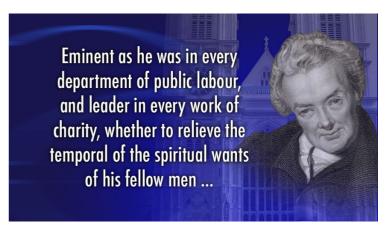
Unless God has riase you up for this very thing, you will be worn out by the opposition of men and devils.
But "if God be for you, who can be against you?" Are all of them stronger than God?



O "be not weary in well doing!" Go on, in the name of God and in the power of His might, till even American slavery (the vilest that ever saw the sun) shall vanish away before it...

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...his name will ever be specially indentified with those exertions which, by the blessing of God, removed from England the guilt of the African slave trave, and prepared the way for the abolition of slavery in every colony of the Empire. —WILBERFORCE EPHITAPH

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