

FOURTH QUARTER

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Focus

Settling is accepting a state of existence that is inconsistent with God's design.

Proverbs 16:3 ESV
Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.

Philippians 3:12-14 NLT

12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Faithfulness

Perseverance is a long obedience in the same direction. – Eugene Peterson

Proverbs 28:20 ESV

A faithful man will abound with blessings, but whoever hastens to be rich will not go unpunished.

Hard work: we choose to put our heart and soul into every activity we do because we know that we're doing it as unto the Lord.

Colossians 3:23 NLT

Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.

Finish

Hebrews 11:1-2 NLT

1 Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see. 2 Through their faith, the people in days of old earned a good reputation.

Hebrews 11:32-35

32 How much more do I need to say? It would take too long to recount the stories of the faith of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel, and all the prophets. 33 By faith these people overthrew kingdoms, ruled with justice, and received what God had promised them. They shut the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the flames of fire, and escaped death by the edge of the sword. Their weakness was turned to strength. They became strong in battle and put whole armies to flight. 35 Women received their loved ones back again from death.