

**Examples of Steadfastness
Selected Scriptures**

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Grace Bible Church

STEADFASTNESS IS POSSIBLE IN EVERY CIRCUMSTANCE BECAUSE GOD'S GRACE IS SUFFICIENT.

"HOW MUCH HAPPIER THEREFORE IS THE MAN THAT CHOOSES A HOLY AND SPIRITUAL RELIGIOUS LIFE THAN HE THAT CHOOSES A CARNAL, SENSUAL LIFE. SENSUAL MEN MAY BE READY TO THINK THEY SHOULD BE HAPPY MEN IF THERE WERE NOTHING TO RESTRAIN THEIR ENJOYMENT OF THEIR [APPETITES], IF THEY MIGHT AT ALL TIME SATISFY THEIR APPETITES, AND HAVE THEIR FULL SWING AT THEIR PLEASURES WITH IMPUNITY AND WITHOUT ANY DANGER OF ANY SUCCEEDING INCONVENIENCE. BUT IF IT WERE SO, THEY WOULD BE BUT MISERABLE MEN IN COMPARISON OF THE GODLY MAN WHO ENJOYS THE PLEASURES OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH THE GLORIOUS GOD AND HIS SON JESUS CHRIST, AND A COMMUNION OF THE HOLY AND BLESSED SPIRIT OF GOD AND CHRIST, AND A TRUE PEACE OF CONSCIENCE AND INWARD TESTIMONIES OF THE FAVOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF GOD AND [CHRIST], AND HAVE LIBERTY WITHOUT RESTRAINT TO INDULGE THEMSELVES IN THE ENJOYMENT OF THOSE PLEASURES."

— JONATHAN EDWARDS.

1. Joseph: He _____ When He Was _____ (Gen. 39)

*"QUESTION: WHEN DO WE FORGIVE OTHERS?
"ANSWER: WHEN WE STRIVE AGAINST ALL THOUGHTS OF REVENGE; WHEN WE WILL NOT DO OUR ENEMIES MISCHIEF, BUT WISH WELL TO THEM, GRIEVE AT THEIR CALAMITIES, PRAY FOR THEM, SEEK RECONCILIATION WITH THEM, AND SHOW OURSELVES READY ON ALL OCCASIONS TO RELIEVE THEM."*

— THOMAS WATSON,
BODY OF DIVINITY.

2. Philemon: He _____ When He Was _____ -Against (Philemon)

"THERE IS A LIMIT TO AFFLICTION. GOD SENDS IT AND GOD REMOVES IT. DO YOU SIGH, AND SAY 'WHEN WILL THE END BE?' REMEMBER THAT OUR GRIEFS WILL SURELY AND FINALLY END WHEN THIS POOR EARTHLY LIFE IS OVER. LET US QUIETLY WAIT, AND PATIENTLY ENDURE THE WILL OF THE LORD TILL HE COMETH. MEANWHILE, OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN TAKES AWAY THE ROD WHEN HIS DESIGN IN USING IT IS FULLY SERVED. WHEN HE HAS WHIPPED AWAY OUR FOLLY, THERE WILL BE NO MORE STROKES."

— C.H. SPURGEON,
CHEQUE BOOK OF THE BANK OF
FAITH.

3. Job: He _____ When He Was _____ (Job 2)

4. Your Circumstances May Be _____, but They Are _____
(1 Cor. 10:13)

"WE ARE ONLY POOR FOR THIS REASON, THAT WE DO NOT KNOW OUR RICHES IN CHRIST. IN TIME OF TEMPTATION, BELIEVE CHRIST RATHER THAN THE DEVIL. BELIEVE TRUTH FROM TRUTH ITSELF. HEARKEN NOT TO A LIAR, AN ENEMY, AND A MURDERER."

— RICHARD SIBBES,
THE BRUISED REED.

By the grace of God, one thing I can do this week in response to this sermon is: