

Serving God in a Hostile World John 14

1. The Hope of Heaven

For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. . . They desire a better country, that is a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city. Hebrews 11:10, 16

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison. 2 Corinthians 4:16-17

2. The Certainty of Success

So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. Isaiah 55:11

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. Revelation 7:9

3. The Power of Prayer

Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. Ephesians 6:18

You ask and do receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. . . The prayer of a righteous person has great power. . . James 4:3; 5:16

4. The Help of the Holy Spirit

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth. Acts 1:9

All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills. 1 Corinthians 12:11

5. The Promise of Peace

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:7

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock. Isaiah 26:3-4