

Relentless Resistance

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As a reminder the definition of **RELENTLESS is—persistent, determined to do something, refusing to give up even if unpleasant, constant, unyielding**

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Revelation 5:5 (AMP) - ⁵ Then one of the twenty-four elders said to me, “Stop weeping! Look closely, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome and conquered!

1 Peter 5:9 - But resist him, be firm in your faith [*against his attack—rooted, established, immovable*],

Luke 10:19 (AMP) - Listen carefully: I have given you authority [*that you now possess*] to tread on serpents and scorpions, and [*the ability to exercise authority*] over all the power of the enemy (Satan); and nothing will [*in any way*] harm you.

1. Recognize the Temptation.

-Jesus Dealt with the Temptation Swiftly.

-Jesus Spoke Directly to the Devil.

Ephesians 4:27 (EXB) - Do not give the devil a way to defeat you [*a foothold or opportunity*].

-Jesus Spoke the Written Word of God.

2. Be Steadfast in the Faith.

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Revelation 3:11 (GNT)

I am coming soon. Keep safe what you have, so that no one will rob you of your victory prize.

James 4:7 (AMP)

Resist the devil [*stand firm against him*] and he will flee from you.

3. Be Fervent in Prayer.

James 5:16 (MEV)

The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man accomplishes much.

Luke 11:9-10

⁹“So I say to you, ask *and* keep on asking, and it will be given to you; seek *and* keep on seeking, and you will find; knock *and* keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰For everyone who keeps on asking [*persistently*], receives; and he who keeps on seeking [*persistently*], finds; and to him who keeps on knocking [*persistently*], the door will be opened.

Matthew 10:22 (MSG)

Don't quit. Don't cave in. It is all well worth it in the end.

2 Timothy 2:12 (CEV)

If we don't give up, we will rule with him.