

In Luke 9:51, we read about Jesus, “When the days drew near for Him to be received up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.”

I like that statement about the Lord. He was about to start the long march to the cross. Many things were going to happen in that week confronting Him that would have sent most men scrambling for safety. Jesus knew what he must do...He was born to die. The hope of mankind was at stake. And he followed through, until nailed on a cruel cross he uttered, “It is finished.”

It could be said of the Master that he refused to give up. In spite of opposition, he did not lose his spirit or zeal. Sure, he was discouraged but did not become despondent. Sure, he was disappointed but not to the point of defeat.

At this point let us remember that one of Satan’s most powerful weapons is discouragement. He tries to load us down with tomorrow’s troubles so that we will be quitters today.

There is a little nursery rhyme that may help us at times when we feel weariness invading our lives:

*One foot up and one foot down,
That’s the way to London town!*

You can only take one step at a time...one day at a time. Endurance and perseverance mean just that. One foot up and one foot down is not only the way to London Town but to Heaven also. And our Lord says, “Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.” May we walk by faith in the one who was faithful unto death for our sake.

Question: Have you grown weary in your walk? Have you invited Jesus to walk with you?