Embrace Holy Living



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Matthew 24:1-14

We are living in the days that Jesus described. Times are perilous. Some live in fear, others get discouraged and abandon their commitment to Jesus. They lose sight of their eternal reward. We should not give up when faced with difficult times. We must not quit the faith.

Philippians 4:13, "I can do all this through him who gives me strength." Jesus is our power source. Remember when Peter wanted to walk on the water like Jesus? It was when he took his eyes off Jesus and noticed the storm that he sank. When he looked back to Jesus he was able to walk on the water again.

In the Old Testament Jacob was another example of holding on until he got what he was after. When the angel said, "Let me go." Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me" (Gen. 32:26). Even though his thigh was put out of joint while wrestling with the angel he hung on until he received the blessing.

Heaven awaits those who persevere. We need to trust Jesus until he comes to receive his Church. Heaven will be worth the daily effort put forth to serve the Lord.