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Don't Quit

Proverbs 6:6-8 tells us to look at a hardworking ant and learn from it. The ant pictured to the right was pulling a leaf at least 30 times its own size. After nearly an hour it had finally pulled it several feet and was out of sight. Often that's how we feel in life. We're wrestling with something too big for us, and we have to wrestle too long and take it too far. We feel like giving up. But when we feel like giving up, we need to consider the ant, consider God's grace, consider the love of Christ, consider the eternal cost of quitting, consider the glories of heaven, ask God for wisdom, ask Him for strength to joyfully endure, and put our heads down and keep pulling the load till we see Jesus.



When Elijah wanted to quit, God fed him, let him rest, gave him an experience that only Moses and Jesus had (40 day fast in the wilderness), took him to Sinai, let him hear God's voice, recommissioned him, and, in so doing, proved that He is Lord over all nations and over every part of life. May we, like Elijah, again step up and serve God in new courage and strength.

God knew it would be impossible to serve without hope, so when Jesus ascended to Heaven, God sent angels to tell us that Jesus will come back. May that hope breathe new strength into our lives to serve God acceptably with godly fear.

The Writer Continues

A little over a month ago, the Writer finished copying the entire Bible by hand; it took him about a year and a half to finish. You can see how thick the copy is. He has already started back in reading the Bible through again and is making good progress.



Please **pray** for him and all the Christians in our church to keep growing. Many are tired, discouraged, overworked, or distracted by sin and the world. Please **pray** Collosians 1:9-12 for each one of us here.

PRAISE:

- ♥ We have had three new-believer Bible studies with Happy; she is doing well.
- ♥ Wisdom Rare and Lynn continue to have an interest in what Jesus can do to help them in their family situation. Please pray for their salvation.
- ♥ God is King and reigns forever (Psalm 93)!

PRAYER:

- ♥ Covid cases are on the rise, so we cannot meet in person until June 8th. We may go into lockdown next week if the daily cases don't stop increasing. Please pray for future ministry/outreach plans and changes.
- ♥ All of us to bear fruit and increase in our knowledge of God
- ♥ Endurance
- ♥ Rain – We need rain badly!



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