**Endure…. till the end**

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* Read the passage silently on your own.
* Read the passage twice out loud.



**OBSERVATION** – Ask the question - What do you see or what does the passage say? (Don’t read into it.) What do you see in the passage that stands out to you? Look for key words, phrases, comparisons, contrasts. You are seeking to answer the questions – Who? What? Where? When? How? and Why?



**Time Out!** What are some things you observe from this passage which stand out to you?

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*You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”*

**What process of discipleship is Paul advocating?**

 **Addition? or Multiplication?**

**Paul compares the Christian life to three careers or occupations.**

1. **ENDURE AS A SOLDIER** vs.3-4 – Key word -Submission.



**Time Out!** What are some words that would describe a soldier?

When is a soldier needed?

How is the soldier analogy played out in our role as a believer in Christ?

1. **ENDURE AS AN ATHLETE** vs.5 – Key word – Disciplined. “And also, if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules.

1 Corinthians. 9:24-25

How is the athlete analogy played out in our role as a believer in Christ?

1. **ENDURE AS A FARMER** vs. 6 Key word -Patience.

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**Time Out!** What are some words that best describe a farmer?

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**Time Out!** Which individual do you relate with and why? Soldier, Athlete or Farmer?

**SUFFERING FOR THE GOSPEL vs.8-15**

**WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A VESSEL OF HONOR vs.16-26**

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**Time Out!** Can you think of a person whose life could be described as a vessel of honor? What are the qualities in this person’s life that sets them apart from the average person?

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**INTERPRETATION –**What does the passage mean?What’s the author’s main intent or purpose in sharing this truth?

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**APPLICATION –** Asks the question: How can I put this into practice? How can I apply this to my marriage, family, church, spiritual life, workplace, etc.



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