

Straighten It All Out

In the end, what we need is for God to "straighten it all out." This sermon series will conclude with a clear understanding of how we and God work together to get it all straight. We have our part to play and God does too.

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This Week's Scripture

Proverbs 3: 5-6

James 1: 12

2 Samuel 22: 30

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Stronger faith is the reward for perseverance. As we deepen our spiritual growth, our faith flourishes and produces God's fruit. God, meanwhile, makes his promises new every day. And through Jesus, He grants us salvation and mercy. What evidence do I see to help me know that God is working in me to deepen my faith and help me gain endurance? How are God and I working as a team effort?

We

Perseverance is not all up to us. One mistake we often make in our endurance is to believe that we can and must do it on our own. God does not expect that of us. God expects us to reap the benefits of fellowship with others and with Him. Burdens become lighter when shared. How do your friends and family help each other hold fast to faith in troubled times?

They

John Wesley believed that Christians have a faith that implies an assurance of God's forgiving love and that they will feel that assurance as a gift of the Holy Spirit. This concept of assurance even through trials and obstacles is empowering. Think of others you know who demonstrate deep awareness of God's presence in day-to-day life. How are they different from those who persevere without dependence upon God? How do they influence you?

Sermon Notes