



Defying the Urge to Quit When Life is Unfair

Matthew 26:27-67 (NKJV) & Luke 4:17-20 (NLT)

1. Watch what you SAY.

MATTHEW 27:11-14 *Now Jesus stood before the governor. And the governor asked Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" Jesus said to him, "It is as you say."¹² And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing.¹³ Then Pilate said to Him, "Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?"¹⁴ But He answered him not one word, so that the governor marveled greatly.*

PSALMS 141:3 *Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; Keep watch over the door of my lips.*

PROVERBS 18:21 *Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.*

JAMES 3:3-6 *Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body.⁴ Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires.⁵ Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles!⁶ And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell.*

PSALMS 34:1 *I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.*

JOHN 1:1-4 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.² He was in the beginning with God.³ All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.⁴ In Him was life, and the life was the light of men*

2. Release the Weight of the OUTCOME.

MATTHEW 27:11-14 *Now Jesus stood before the governor. And the governor asked Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" Jesus said to him, "It is as you say."*

ISAIAH 43:16-19 *Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;¹⁷ Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.¹⁸ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.¹⁹ Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.*