

They Run on Another's Legs

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Christians persevere in their faith due to an inward principle of fear, faith, and love, which is preserved by God's spiritual power.

Scripture: Ezekiel 36:25

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes that Christians persevere in their faith not through external pressures but through the inward power and principles given by God. He highlights that true perseverance comes from a new heart and spirit, as promised in Ezekiel, which enables believers to follow God's decrees. Brooks illustrates that believers run on the strength of Christ, drawing from His power to sustain them through challenges, as seen in Isaiah. This reliance on Christ's strength ensures that they do not grow weary or faint in their spiritual journey.

Transcript

("The Glorious Day of the Saints Appearance")

"I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean;

I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all

your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new

spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone

and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit in

you and move you to follow My decrees and be careful

to keep My laws." Ezekiel 36:25-27

The principal reason why Christians persevere in the ways

of God against all discouragements, is because they are

preserved in the ways of God--from spiritual principles,

from a principle of inward life and spiritual power. It is true, if Christians only persevered from fleshly, carnal, and external causes--they would soon wheel about, and turn apostates, and be base, and what not. But they persevere in the ways of God, from inward principles, as in Jeremiah 32:40, "I will put My fear in their hearts --and they shall never depart from Me." Christians persevere by an inward principle of fear, faith, and love. Isaiah 40:31, "Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength like the eagle; they shall run and not be weary," because they run on another's legs--namely, the Lord Christ's; "and they shall walk and not faint," because they walk in the strength of Christ.

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