ENDURANCE



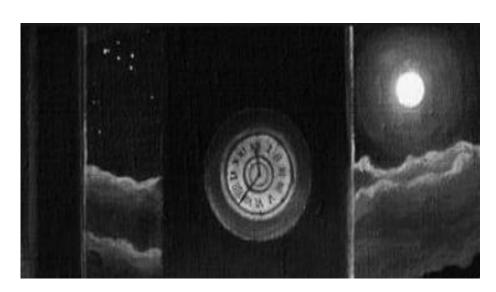
If the Bridegroom had returned earlier, all ten virgins would have made it to the Celebration.

But he delayed.

Five of them were left out.

If the Master had returned during those days when our faith was red-hot, we'd be in glory now.

But he delayed..... And our faith flattened.



What happened to our zeal?

Were we crazy in those days?

Are we more mature in our apathy?

The name of the game is endurance.

The test of faith is endurance.

Awake, and strengthen what remains and is on the point of death, for I have not found your works perfect in the sight of my God. Remember then what you received and heard; keep that, and repent. If you will not awake, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come upon you.

Revelation 3



Prayer: Yes Lord, give us endurance, give us vision. Help us to remember what we have seen and heard from you, what you have taught us. We repent for allowing ourselves to enter a sleeping stupor, for not living the vibrant lives you call us to. Wake us up...not just so we can be prepared for the end times...but so we can continue to strive for your righteousness, living merciful, kind, giving lives, filled with hope, goodness and anticipation as we joyfully await for your arrival, our bridegroom, our love, our hope, our greatest gift....no matter what the hour. Amen.

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