

WE EXULT IN OUR TRIBULATION





# A HARD PATH TO FOLLOW

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- There will always be "...worries of the world" (Mark 4:19).
- "For everyone will be salted with fire" (Mark 9:49).
- "In the world you have tribulation" (John 16:33)
- "Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22).
- We will never in this world be detached from "the sufferings of this present time" (Romans 8:18).
- Paul said, "I die daily" (1 Corinthians 15:31).
- "For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake" (2 Corinthians 4:11).

THEREFORE WE DO NOT LOSE HEART, BUT THOUGH OUR OUTER MAN IS DECAYING, YET OUR INNER MAN IS BEING RENEWED DAY BY DAY. FOR MOMENTARY, LIGHT AFFLICTION IS PRODUCING FOR US AN ETERNAL WEIGHT OF GLORY FAR BEYOND ALL COMPARISON. FOR WE KNOW THAT IF THE EARTHLY TENT WHICH IS OUR HOUSE IS TORN DOWN, WE HAVE A BUILDING FROM GOD, A HOUSE NOT MADE WITH HANDS, ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS

**2 Corinthians 4:16-5:1**



An aerial photograph of a large, white, multi-story house with a complex roofline. The house is surrounded by lush greenery, including numerous palm trees and other tropical plants. In the center of the property is a large, rectangular swimming pool with a light blue tint. The pool is surrounded by a light-colored patio area with some lounge chairs. The overall scene is bright and sunny, suggesting a warm climate.

THE  
LIFE OF EASE  
TEMPTATION



# THE POSITIVES OF PERSEVERANCE

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- **It makes us come alive**
- **It means we are doing something important**
- **It makes every fall a step forward**