

THE AWESOME POWER OF ENDURANCE
#SermonEndurance
Adding Power To Your Purpose Part 4
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Hebrews 12:1b ...Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. (NLT)

2 Corinthians 6:4 In everything we do we show that we are God's servants by patiently enduring troubles, hardships, and difficulties. (TEV)

HOW TO E.N.D.U.R.E.

1. EMBRACE GOD'S PURPOSE

1 Peter 1:7 These trials are only to test your faith, to show that it is strong and pure. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—and your faith is far more precious to God than mere gold... (LB)

James 1:3-4 You know that such testing of your faith produces endurance. Endure until your testing is over. Then you will be mature and complete, and you won't need anything. (GW)

2. NURTURE YOUR SPIRITUAL ROOTS

Mark 4:17 Some people don't have any roots, and they don't last very long. As soon as life gets hard or the message gets them in trouble, they give up. (CEV)

Romans 15:4 Everything written long ago was written to teach us so that we would have confidence through the endurance and encouragement that the Scriptures give us. (GW)

3. DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO JESUS

Hebrews 12:2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. (NIV)

Hebrews 12:3 So keep your mind on Jesus, who put up with many insults from sinners. Then you won't get discouraged and give up. (CEV)

4. USE MY EXPERIENCE TO HELP OTHERS

2 Corinthians 1:6 When we are weighed down with troubles, it is for your benefit and salvation! For when God comforts us, it is so that we, in turn, can be an

encouragement to you. **Then you can patiently endure** the same things we suffer. (NLT)

2 Timothy 2:10 I am **willing to endure anything** if it will bring salvation and eternal glory in Christ Jesus to those God has chosen. (NLT)

5. RELY ON GOD'S POWER

Colossians 1:11 **His glorious power** will make you patient and **strong enough to endure anything**, and you will be truly happy. (CEV)

Romans 12:12 **Don't quit** in hard times; **pray all the harder**. (MSG)

6. EXPRESS FAITH IN GOD'S PROMISES

Hebrews 10:36 **You need endurance to do the will of God** and **receive what He has promised**. (NAB)

James 1:12 **God blesses the people who patiently endure testing**... Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love Him. (NLT)

1 Peter 2:21 God called you to **endure suffering** because Christ suffered for you. He **left you an example** so that you could **follow in his footsteps**. (GW)