

WEEKLY LETTER OF ENCOURAGEMENT

IT'S WORKING

You May Be Closer Than You Think

Thank you for requesting my weekly Letter of Encouragement. I am so glad you are here.

What if I quit... three feet from gold?

There is an old story about R. U. Darby and his uncle, who went west looking for gold. They found it, invested in machinery, and began drilling. At first, everything seemed to confirm that they were on the right track.

Then the vein of gold disappeared.

They kept drilling. Nothing. They drilled farther. Still nothing. Eventually they decided they had had enough, sold the equipment, and went home.

The man who bought their equipment did one thing differently: he called in a mining engineer. The engineer studied the mine and determined that the original miners had misunderstood the fault lines. According to his calculations, the vein should begin again just **three feet** from where they had stopped.

And it did.

They were not miles away. They were not even hundreds of feet away. They had stopped **three feet from gold**.

Sometimes the hardest part of perseverance is that we cannot see how close we are.

The encouragement I want you to carry this week

Maybe you have been praying, working, waiting, trying, or simply holding on. You may be tempted to look at the silence, the delay, or the lack of visible progress and conclude, *This is not working*.

But what you can see is not the whole story. God sees the end from the beginning. He is not limited to the evidence in front of us, and His purposes do not depend on our ability to understand every turn in the road.

This is not a promise that every dream will turn out exactly the way we hope. It is a reminder not to confuse **"I cannot see the result yet"** with **"God is doing nothing."**

A WORD TO KEEP WITH YOU

Do Not Grow Weary

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Galatians 6:9 KJV

"Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:"

Isaiah 46:10 KJV

So before you decide that nothing is happening, ask yourself one more question:

Could I be closer than I think?

Keep doing the next faithful thing God has placed before you. Keep praying. Keep obeying. Keep trusting His timing. And when you cannot see what He is doing, remember that your view is limited - His is not.

A LITTLE GIFT FOR YOU

I have also included this week's beautiful, full-color Scripture cards for you to download and keep. I create new cards each week as a companion to these letters. **For now, each weekly card is my gift to you.** At the end of the year, I plan to gather the complete collection into a beautifully organized Scripture Card Library that will be offered as a paid resource - so by receiving them week by week, you are building your own collection as my gift.

May this week find you encouraged rather than discouraged - and willing to keep going when God has not told you to stop.

With love,

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