

VERSES ON DILIGENCE (See Verses on Discipline, Sloth, Work)

- **Dt 4:9** 9 Take care and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life.
- **Ne 6:15** 15 The wall was finished on the twenty-fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty-two days.
- Ps 119:4 4 You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently (לְשָׁמֶּר מְאָדׁ).
- **Pr 10:4-5** 4 Poor is he who works with a negligent hand, but the hand of the diligent (קָּרוּץ) makes rich. 5 He who gathers in summer is a son who acts wisely, but he who sleeps in harvest is a son who acts shamefully.
- **Pr 12:11** 11 He who tills his land will have plenty of bread, but he who pursues worthless things lacks sense.
- **Pr 12:24** 24 The hand of the diligent (חָרוּץ) will rule, but the slack hand will be put to forced labor.
- **Pr 12:27** 27 Whoever is slothful will not roast his game, but the diligent (הָרוּץ) man will get precious wealth.
- **Pr 13:4** 4 The soul of the sluggard craves and gets nothing, while the soul of the diligent (קרוץ) is richly supplied.
- **Pr 14:23** 23 In all toil there is profit, but mere talk tends only to poverty.
- **Pr 21:5** 5 The plans (מַּחֲשֶׁבָה) of the diligent (הָרוּץ) lead surely to abundance, but everyone who is hasty comes only to poverty.
- **Pr 28:19** 19 Whoever works his land will have plenty of bread, but he who follows worthless pursuits will have plenty of poverty.
- **Ec 11:6** 6 Sow your seed in the morning and do not be idle in the evening, for you do not know whether morning or evening sowing will succeed, or whether both of them alike will be good.
- **Hag 2:4** 4 Work, for I am with you, declares Yahweh of hosts, 5 according to the covenant that I made with you when you came out of Egypt. My Spirit remains in your midst. Fear not.
- **Jn 5:17** 17 My Father is working (ἐργάζομαι, pres.) until now, and I myself [Jesus] am working (ἐργάζομαι, pres.).
- **Ro 12:8** 8 ... The one who leads, with diligence (σπουδή).



- **Ro 12:11** 11 Do not hold back (ὀκνηρός) in diligence (σπουδή), be enthusiastic (ζέω) in spirit, keep serving the Lord.
- **1 Co 15:10** 10 By the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.
- **Eph 4:3** 3 ...Being diligent (σπουδάζω, pres.) to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- **Col 1:28-29** 28 We proclaim (καταγγέλλω) [Messiah] by instructing (νουθετέω) every person and teaching (διδάσκω) every person with all wisdom (σοφία), in order that we may present every person mature (τέλειος) in Messiah. 29 For this purpose also I work hard (κοπιάω), striving (ἀγωνίζομαι) according to his power that mightily works within me.
- **Col 4:12** 12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Messiah Jesus, greets you, always on your behalf striving (ἀγωνίζομαι) in his prayers, that you may stand mature (τέλειος) and fully convinced (πληροφορέω, perf. pass. part.) in all the desire (θέλημα) of God.
- 1 Ti 4:7-10 7 Keep training (γυμνάζω, pres.) yourself for godliness (εὐσέβεια). 8 For bodily training (γυμνασία) is only of little profit, but godliness is profitable for all things, because it holds promise for the present life and for the one to come. 9 It is a trustworthy statement deserving full acceptance. 10 For it is for this we keep toiling (κοπιάω, pres.) and striving (ἀγωνίζομαι, pres.), because we have fixed our hope on the living God.
- **Heb 6:10-12** 10 God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward his name, in having ministered (διακονέω, aor.) and in still ministering (διακονέω, pres.) to the saints. 11 And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence $(\sigma\pi ουδή)$ so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end, 12 so that you will not be lazy $(v\omega\theta\rho\delta\varsigma)$ but imitators of those who through faith $(\pi i\sigma\tau\iota\varsigma)$ and patience $(\mu\alpha\kappa\rho o\theta\nu\mu i\alpha)$ inherit the promises.
- **2 Pe 1:5-10** 5 Applying all diligence (σπουδή), supply (ἐπιχορηγέω, aor.) your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, 6 and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, 7 and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Messiah. 9 For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. 10 Therefore, brothers and sisters, be all the more diligent (σπουδάζω, aor.) to confirm your calling (κλῆσις) and election (ἐκλογή), for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.