## • Diligence is doing your best.

- o God wants you to do your best in serving Him. (Deuteronomy 11:13)
- o No matter what task you are doing, always do your best. (Colossians 3:23)
- Others know whether you are doing your best or not. (Proverbs 20:11)

### Diligence is being careful and cautious.

- o Watch out for things that will steal away your love for God. (Proverbs 4:23)
- Watch out for things that will make you forget about God. (Deuteronomy 4:9)
- o Watch out for temptations that make you want to sin. (Hebrews 12:15)
- Search your life to see what things need to be removed. (Psalm 77:6)
- Stay away from the things that will hurt your testimony. (2 Peter 3:14)
- o Be careful to follow where God has shown you to go. (Jeremiah 7:23)

# Diligence is not quitting until something is finished.

- Keep studying the Bible and seeking God. (1 Chronicles 22:19)
- Keep doing the things that are right. (Deuteronomy 6:18)
- Finish what God has asked you to do. (Ezra 7:23)
- o Even if you are tired, keep serving the Lord. (Galatians 6:9)

## Diligence is obeying completely.

- o In order to know what to do, you must listen first. (Philippians 4:9)
- Not obeying everything that was asked is not obeying at all. (Deuteronomy 6:17)
- Not obeying right away is not obeying at all. (Psalms 119:60)
- Obedience is more important to God than any gift or sacrifice. (1 Samuel 15:22)
- o God wants you to obey those He has put over you. (Colossians 3:20)
- Obey what God says to do first, then obey what others say to do. (Acts 5:29)

#### Diligence is the opposite of laziness.

- o God wants Christians who will do their best for Him. (Hebrews 6:12)
- o God does not bless those who choose to be lazy. (Proverbs 20:4)

#### Diligence pleases the Lord.

- Don't quit! God will reward you for the work you've done for Him. (2 Chronicles 15:7)
- God will bless those who listen and do what He has asked them to do. (James 1:25)
- Nothing that you do for the Lord is a waste of your time. (1 Corinthians 15:58)
- God will reward those who serve, obey, and follow after Him. (Hebrews 11:6)