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Booklet 32 Bible Digest On The Theme:

Christian Cross-Bearing.

When you take a stand for what is right, You take a stand against what is wrong. This may get you into trouble, Not with God, but the other.

Reality Check: Cross-bearing is more than growing pains.

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If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. (1) Matthew 16: 24

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. (2) 1 Corinthians 1: 18

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

(3) Philippians 2: 8

It pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

(4) Colossians 1: 19, 20

I now rejoice in my sufferings for you ... for the sake of His body, which is the church. (5) Colossians 1: 24

For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake. (6) Philippians 1: 29 Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. (7) Hebrews 12: 1, 2

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Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

(8) 2 Timothy 3: 12

For it is better, if it is the will of God, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.

(9) 1 Peter 3: 17

Therefore let those, who suffer according to the will of God, commit their souls to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator.

(10) 1 Peter 4: 19

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Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

(11) Revelation 2: 10

We know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

(12) Romans 8: 28

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope.

(13) Romans 8: 18, 20

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all. How shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? (14) Romans 8: 31, 32

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(15) Romans 8: 38, 39

PRAYERS:

May you not take us through testing trials, but rescue us from evil!

(16) Matthew 6: 13*

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Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

(17) Psalm 31 :5