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*So do not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you! Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised. Hebrews 10:35-36. NLT.*My friends, have you or are you currently facing the undermining of your confidence in our God? It can happen with a direct attack. It can also be like a quiet erosion of your faith through weariness, constant battles, or distractions. When we walk in confidence (the state of feeling the truth of something) we stand taller, walk more firmly and lift our head high. Confidence changes the way we face both the difficult challenges of life and our expectations of how they will turn out.The recipients of this book must have faced serious persecution. They were steadfast in their faith. Biblical scholars are not clear on the author of Hebrews. It might have been Apollos or Barnabas. However, it is clear he knew them. I love his encouragement to them. *But remember the earlier days, when, after being [spiritually] enlightened, you [patiently*] *endured a great conflict of sufferings, sometimes by being made a spectacle, publicly exposed to insults and distress, and sometimes by becoming companions with those who were so treated. For you showed sympathy and deep concern for those who were imprisoned, and you joyfully accepted the[unjust] seizure of your belongings and the confiscations of your property, conscious of the fact you have a better possession and a lasting one [prepared for you in heaven].* Hebrews 10:32-34. AMP. These believers suffered a lot. I am sure they were wondering, is it worth it? Should I give up? Should we throw away our confidence in the Lord?Have you ever been tempted to throw away your confidence? Or as the Amplified says: *do not fling away your fearless confidence, for it has a glorious and great reward.* My friends, many of you are facing some serious trials of life. Financial struggles, health struggles, along with relational struggles. Please, do not throw away your confidence in the Lord. *For you have need of patient endurance [to bear up under difficult circumstances without compromising], so that when you have carried out the will of God, you may receive and enjoy to the full what is promised. Hebrews 10:36. AMP.* Look up my friends, into the face of your Savior. Maybe you need to take communion and focus on what He endured for you. He felt it was worth it, even when we stumble, doubt and continue in our unbelief and sin. I feel someone needs to hear, "buck up, buttercup" you can do this. You can do the hard thing, because you are not suffering unto death. I am not saying it's easy, but you can do hard things with Him, and isn't that all that matters?*Father, please help your people as they struggle against Satan's lies that they won't make it. Give them the confidence to stand strong in you. You are able to keep them* from stumbling *and falling away so you can present us with great joy into your presence (Jude 1:24). In Jesus' Name, amen.* |

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