

Rejoice, Persevere, Pray

Text: ...rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, (Romans 12:12)

Intro: Heman & his Psalm

I. Our Text

Staying zealous by _____

Reality

II. Our Story

The woman from Shunem

What Elisha does

What God does

What the woman does

Back to Elisha again

Application 1: Zeal

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! (Philippians 4:4)

Application 2: Persevere in Tribulation

Where?

Why?

Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day. For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison, while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

Application 3: Prayer

Application 4: Rejoice in Hope

1. Oh, they tell me of a home far beyond the skies,
Oh, they tell me of a home far away;
Oh, they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise,
Oh, they tell me of an unclouded day.
2. Oh, they tell me of a home where my friends have gone,
Oh, they tell me of that land far away,
Where the tree of life in eternal bloom
Sheds its fragrance through the unclouded day.
3. Oh, they tell me that He smiles on His children there,
And His smile drives their sorrows away;
And they tell me that no tears ever come again
In that lovely land of unclouded day.

chorus:

Oh, the land of cloudless day,
Oh, the land of an unclouded sky,
Oh, they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise,
Oh, they tell me of an unclouded day.