Thriving In Turbulent Times Don't Waver, Be Consistent! 1 John 2:28

God <u>Isn't Looking</u> for YOU to Be <u>PERFECT</u>, He wants <u>Faithfulness</u> & <u>Consistency</u>.

However, we <u>Can</u> & <u>Should Strive</u> for Perfection (James 1:4)

We must NOT take God's Grace for Granted. (Romans 6:15)

When We're Consistent, we'll find Confidence & Courage in the Face of Turbulent Times.

1. THE MARKS OF OUR CONSISTENCY.

- We Should Strive To Be Consistently CHRISTLIKE. (1 John 2:6)
- We Should Strive To Be **Consistently** <u>CARING</u>. (1 John 2:10, 3:17, 3:23, 4:7-8, 4:20)
- We Should Strive To Be Consistently CONFIDENT.
- We Should Strive To Be **Consistently COMPLIANT**. (1 John 2:17)
- We Should Strive To Be **Consistently CONSISTENT**. (1 John 2:24)
- If you <u>Haven't</u> been <u>Consistent</u> in the <u>Past</u>, that <u>Doesn't Mean</u> you <u>can't be</u> in the <u>Future</u>.

2. THE MOTIVE FOR OUR CONSISTENCY.

- Christ WILL Appear when you LEAST Expect Him...(1 John 2:28; 1 Thess. 4:16-17)
- THAT is WHY we MUST Live Consistently Day-By-Day.
- When <u>Christ Appears</u>, you'll need to <u>BE READY!</u>
- He could Appear Right NOW!

THE <u>MEASURE</u> OF OUR CONSISTENCY.

- When Jesus Comes for His church we'll either be ASSURED or ASHAMED.
- During the <u>Great Tribulation</u>, <u>Christians</u> will be in <u>Heaven</u> standing before the <u>Judgment Seat</u> of Christ...(1 Corinthians 3:11-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10)
- Will We Be ASSURED? (Revelation 4:10; Matthew 25:11)
- OR...Will We Be ASHAMED? (Revelation 21:4)
- We Must <u>Get Ready</u> & <u>Stay Ready</u> for our <u>Savior</u> to <u>Appear</u> especially in Turbulent Times.