Diligent

Show – Diligence

Prov. 4:20 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. 23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

In the Old Testament diligent is primarily connected with hearing the Lord and doing what He said. In the New Testament diligent is primarily connected with looking to the Lord and being obedient.

* Hearing to be a witness
* Looking to be a witness

Manifest the Way of Jesus

Manifest the Truth of Jesus

Manifest the Life of Jesus

**Have the real substance**

**Be** evidence for a witness of the **Truth by the Spirit of God**.

Diligent to let somebody see Jesus in you through the Power of the Holy Ghost

* Demonstration of the Spirit of God
* Illustration through the Spirit of God
* Explanation by the Spirit of God
* Manifestation in the Spirit of God

**Show Obedience for a testimony,** perception and proclaiming is part of the process. Appropriating the Promises of God is the fulfillment of God’s Purpose.

# Diligence

(Hebrew) Discern, give ear, (cause to listen, let it be declared, make to hear) (hardworking, meticulous, conscientious, thorough, attentive, careful and painstaking)

(Greek) "speed", despatch, eagerness, earnestness:--business, (earnest) care(-fulness), forwardness

* A strong desire to get the job done right and cheerfully with much love to amend all that is wrong among you, and to do what is right; and in love.

2 Peter 1:5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

2 Cor. 2:4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; not that ye should be grieved, but that ye might know the love which I have more abundantly unto you. 7:12 Wherefore, though I wrote unto you, I did it not for his cause that had done the wrong, nor for his cause that suffered wrong, but that our care for you in the sight of God might appear unto you. 8:7 Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also. 8 I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love. 16 But thanks be to God, which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus for you.

Ex. 15:26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee. Deut. 4:9 Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons; 6:17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

11:13 And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,

De 11:22 For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him; 28:1 And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

Ps 119:4 Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

Zech. 6:15 And they that are far off shall come and build in the temple of the LORD, and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you. And this shall come to pass, if ye will diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God.

Acts 18:25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

Heb 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled; 1 Peter 1:10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: