

~LABORS (98)

[English, efforts, pains hard work]

- The festival of booths was held to celebrate their **labors** at the end of the harvest period.
- Also, the festival of harvest of the first ripe fruits of your **labors**, of what you sow in the field, and the festival of ingathering at the outgoing of the year, when you gather in your labors from the field. (**Exodus 23:16**)
- A further unnamed reference to a woman known only as Mary is made, for her many **labors** in Paul's behalf. Thus Paul shows many times, that thankfulness is a part of the Christian personality, and not only thankfulness to God.
- Greet Mary, who has performed many **labors** for you. (**Romans 16:6**)
- Paul greets two women who have **labored** with him in the preaching work, Tryphaena and Tryphosa. Paul also greets Persis another woman who is beloved to him, and who has performed many labors for the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Greet Tryphaena and Tryphosa, women who are working hard in the Lord. Greet Persis our beloved one, for she performed many **labors** in the Lord. (**Romans 16:12**)
- Also this discipline includes things occasionally, like beatings, spending time in prison, disorders, by **labors** or hard work, by sleepless nights caring for others, and by going without food when it is unavailable. All of this discipline develops within us endurance and trust, in the God of salvation, Yehowah God.
- By beatings, by prisons, by disorders, by **labors**, by sleepless nights, by times without food. (**2 Corinthians 6:5**)
- Therefore Paul was not boasting about himself outside of his assigned boundaries, or over someone else's **labors** in the spreading true Christianity. The Corinthians were his **labor** in the Lord, and he wanted them to respect him, and his work among them, so that it might grow throughout their area, as their own faith increased.

- No, we are not boasting outside our assigned boundaries in the **labors** of someone else, but we entertain hope that, as your faith is being increased, we may be made great among you with reference to our territory. Then we will abound still more. (2 **Corinthians 10:15**)

- Paul now gets excited, for Paul like them was born into those other things, and they really are no reason to boast about oneself. So he asks; Are they ministers of Christ? Now this is more than he can stand, for since the day the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to him in glory, he has devoted his entire life to the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom through Christ.

- He has **labored** harder than anyone else he knows, in behalf of the congregations, he has spent time in prison repeatedly, been beaten nearly to death many times, and suffered through many near death experiences in his ministry to others, all this in behalf of Christ.

- Are they ministers of Christ? I reply like a madman, I am more outstandingly one, in **labors** more plentifully, in prisons more plentifully, in blows to an excess, in near-deaths often. (2 **Corinthians 11:23**)

- Now that the organization of Jehovah's Witnesses have been identified as the beast, any who leave her number as anointed ones and die to her members will receive **peace** or rest from Yehowah and their years of fine **labors** will go right along with them.

- This remnant will remain in Yehowah's favor because they have identified and then walked away from the **harlot** and her beastlike organization. If any of them should die in the flesh after this, then their fine works are what will be remembered after resurrection.

- And I heard a voice out of heaven say; Write. Happy are the dead who die in union with the Lord from this time onward. Yes, says the spirit, let them rest from their **labors**, for the things they did go right with them. (**Revelation 14:13**)