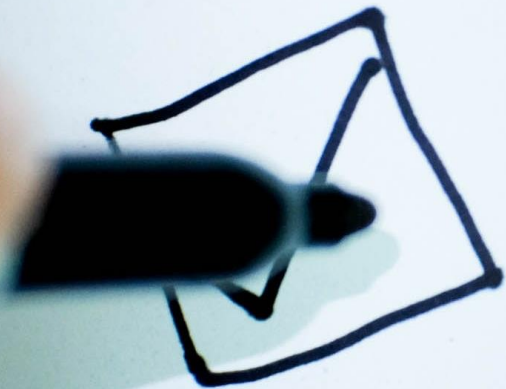


A small green plant with a white flower bud is growing out of a crack in dark asphalt. The plant has a single stem with two leaves and a flower bud. The background is a dark, textured surface.

AM I GROWING?

Checklist



Yes



No

A green plant sprout with several leaves is growing out of a crack in dark, textured soil. The background is a blurred, greyish-blue surface.

**Am I growing in my Christian
experience?**

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**Am I becoming more
Christ-like in my attitudes?**

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**Am I being drawn closer to
my Savior?**



Do I love Him more?

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**Do I cherish and reflect more
of His Spirit?**



He saw that most of the aged around him were unhappy, because of the unfortunate traits of their character being increased with their age.

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If they had been naturally close and covetous, they were most disagreeably so in mature years. If they had been jealous, fretful, and impatient, they were especially so when aged.

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Do not cast me off in the time of old age; Do not forsake me when my strength fails.

Psalm 71:9

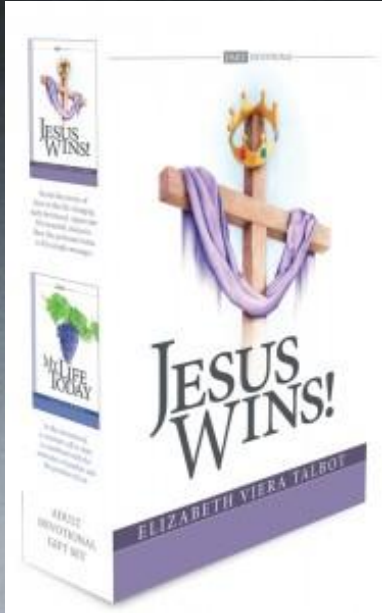


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**Are you faithful in your
personal devotions?**

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Have a plan for devotions.



Devotions VS Bible



**What have I done during the
past year to improve my
capabilities as a church
leader?**

Have I taken my work seriously?

**Consider the urgency of the times
and how important it is that we use
every moment to glorify our Creator
and to advance His work?**

Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

1 Timothy 4:12



Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.



1 Timothy 4:13



Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership.

1 Timothy 4:14



Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

1 Timothy 4:15



Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.

1 Timothy 4:16

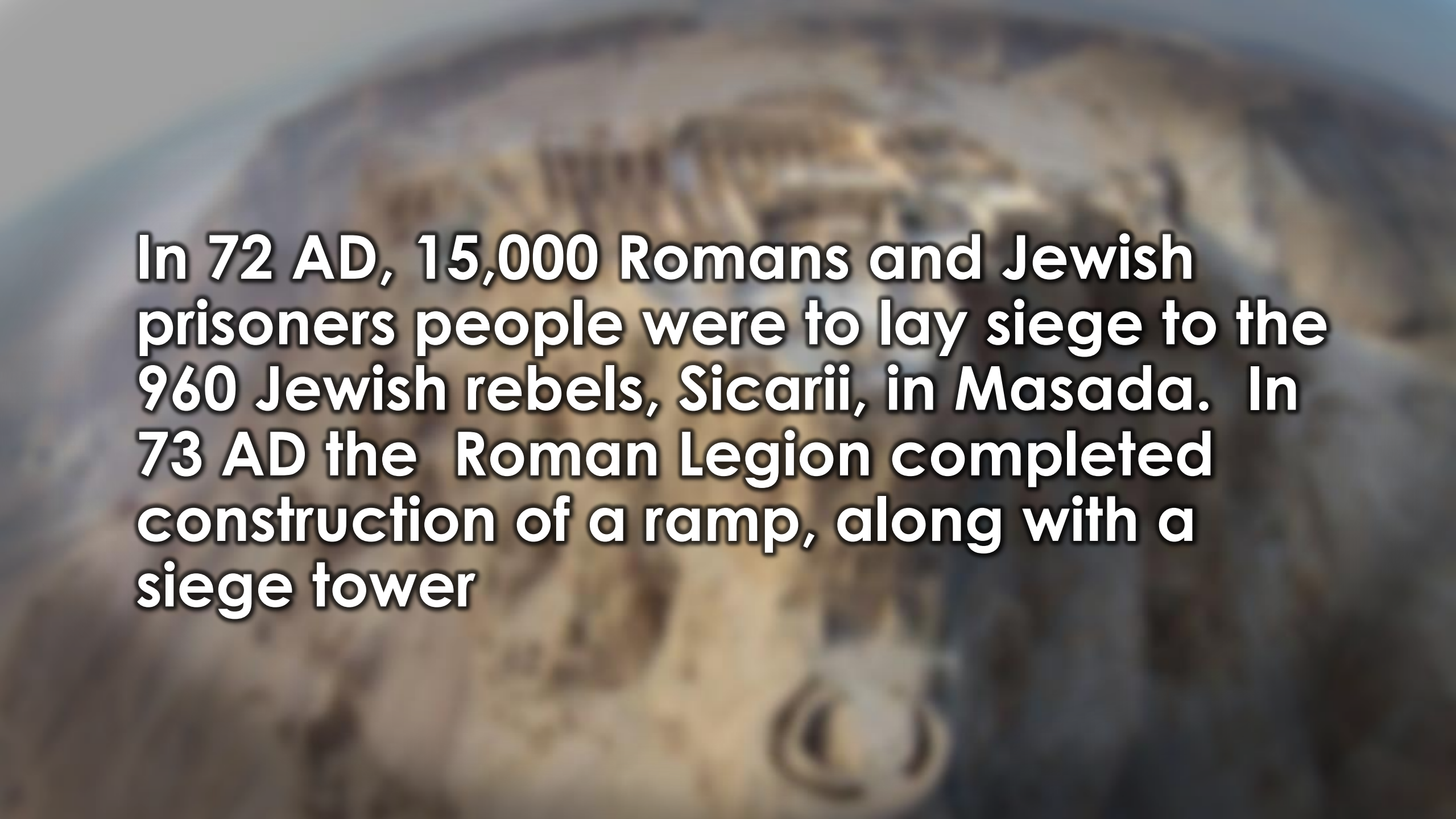


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**Has the work of the church
been given the priority it
deserves?**



PERSERVERANCE



In 72 AD, 15,000 Romans and Jewish prisoners people were to lay siege to the 960 Jewish rebels, Sicarii, in Masada. In 73 AD the Roman Legion completed construction of a ramp, along with a siege tower

An aerial photograph of the ancient ruins of Masada, a Jewish fortress built on a volcanic rock plateau in the Negev desert. The ruins are arranged in a rectangular grid with a central courtyard and several circular structures. The surrounding landscape is arid and hilly, with some modern infrastructure visible on the slopes. The text "SIEGE OF MASADA" is overlaid in the center of the image.

SIEGE OF MASADA



Do I have what it takes?

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares *us*,

Hebrews 12:1a



and let us run with endurance the
race that is set before us,

Hebrews 12:1b



looking unto Jesus, the author
and finisher of *our* faith, who for the
joy that was set before
Him endured the cross, despising
the shame, and has sat down at
the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:2



For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

Hebrews 12:3



Are we striving with all our God-given powers to reach the measure of the statute of men and women in Christ? Are we seeking for His fullness, ever reaching higher and higher, trying to attain the

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Perfection of His character? When God's servants reach this point, they will be sealed in their foreheads. The recording angel will declare, 'it is done.' They will be complete in Him whose they

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are by creation and redemption.

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An aerial photograph of the ancient ruins of Masada, a fortified Jewish settlement on a desert mountain peak. The ruins are built on a high, rocky plateau, surrounded by steep, eroded cliffs. The structures are made of light-colored stone and brick, showing various courtyards, rooms, and a central circular structure. The surrounding landscape is arid and hilly, with some modern infrastructure visible on the slopes. The sky is clear and blue.

SIEGE OF MASADA

**For you have need of endurance,
so that after you have done the will
of God, you may receive the
promise:**

Hebrews 10:36



**“For yet a little while,
And He who is coming will come
and will not tarry.**

Hebrews 10:37



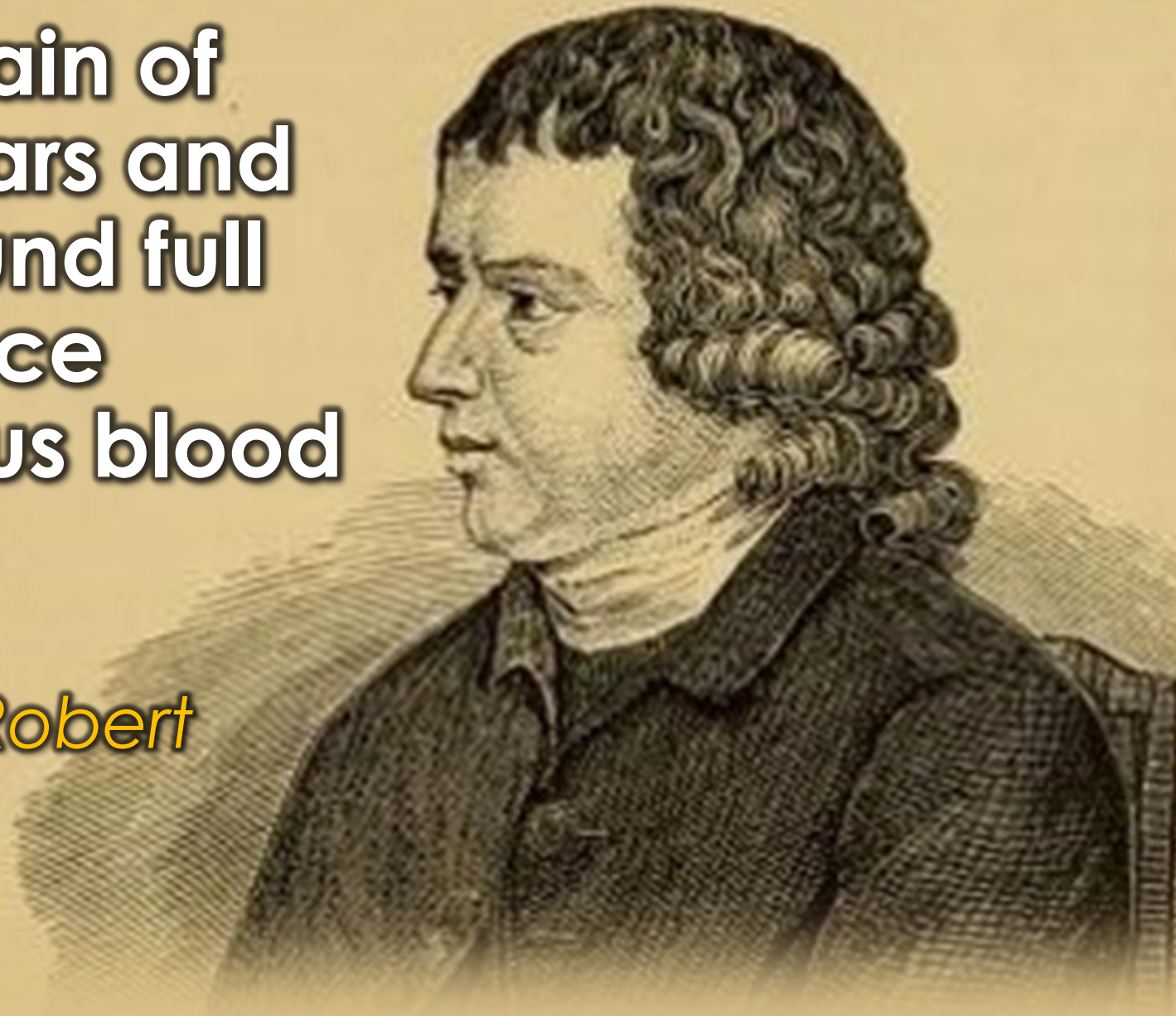
**PERDSERVERE! Carry on! Until
the kingdom of Christ is
conquered.**

Robert Robinson
1735 - 1790



“After tasting the pain of renewal for two years and seven months, I found full absolution and grace through the precious blood of Jesus Christ.”

Written in the flyleaf of Robert Robinson's Bible.



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A vibrant yellow bird is perched on a dark brown branch, its beak wide open as if singing. The bird's feathers are a bright, sunny yellow, with darker streaks on its wings. The background is a soft-focus green, with several white flowers with yellow centers scattered throughout. The overall scene is bright and cheerful.

CLOSING SONG

Hymn # 334

**Come
Thou Fount
of Every
Blessing**