

Overcoming Disappointment

Jesus never promised that the Gospel would always be received with joy. In fact, He warned us that just as He was rejected, we would be too. And even when we follow Him with complete obedience, led by the Spirit, walking in love, some will still say no (**John 15:18–20, 1 Peter 4:12–14, Galatians 6:9**).

Overcoming

If disappointment is an expected part of evangelism, then let's not shy away from it; let's face it head-on. Because the truth is, evangelism isn't the only area where we experience disappointment in our walk with God.

So, what do we do?

First, we acknowledge the pain. We see this in David's life. Again and again in the Psalms, David pours out his heart to God, his grief, his fear, his frustration. But he never stops there. He turns his eyes back to the Lord (**Psalms 34:18, Psalm 62:8**).

Healing begins when we bring our pain into His presence (**Philippians 4:6–7, 1 Peter 5:7**).

Once we do that, we must let go and trust that God knows the situation better than we do. We can trust in Him instead of our own understanding (**Proverbs 3:5–6**).

Don't give up! (**Hebrews 10:35–36, Psalm 27:13–14**)

Object of Faith

When we make anything other than God Himself the object of our faith, we set ourselves up for disappointment (**Psalms 62:5–8, Jeremiah 17:7–8**).

Determined

Isaiah 50:7 is a prophetic passage about the Messiah, Jesus, expressing His unwavering determination to obey God, even in the face of suffering, rejection, and opposition. "Setting His face like flint" means having a resolute focus, an unshakable purpose, and bold endurance, knowing that God would uphold Him.

Don't quit. Stay grounded. Keep going. What you're doing for the Lord is never wasted, even if you can't see the results you wanted (**1 Corinthians 15:58, Philippians 3:13–14**).

Disappointment and discouragement may try to weigh us down, but we can choose to leave them behind. Every believer must walk through moments where continuing feels hard, but those who persevere discover that it's worth it.

Let's be people who pour out our hearts to God in the hard times, who trust Him with the outcomes, and who press forward with unshakable purpose, knowing that He sees, He knows, and He rewards those who don't quit.

