

**Gales Creek Community Church**  
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  - Endurance – perseverance, patience, maintaining the race
  - Character – result of process, trial, approved, quality
  - Hope – to anticipate, to expect (is hope a habit that you live out?)
- Things to remember
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  - We are to rejoice always: in both good and adverse times/situations
  - Endurance (or perseverance) breeds character, and character breeds hope
  - Hope is to be a **habit** to be **lived** out
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