

KEEP GOING

A friend came up to me one day and said, "I am going through hell, so what do I do?" My reply was simple, "**Keep going!**"

If you feel like you are going through the fiery furnace - **keep going!** In Isaiah 48:10 the Lord said to the nation of Israel, "*Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver is refined. Rather, I have refined you in the furnace of hardship.*" But the Lord didn't stop there... "*I will rescue you for my sake— yes, for my own sake!*" (verse 11). Whatever you may be going through right now, God has not abandoned you. He is in the furnace with you. Remember the three men Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego? Daniel 3:25 says, "*I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.*" Then verse 26 says, "*They came out from the midst of the fire.*" You too will come out from the midst of the fire.

Many of you may be thinking... "How can you be so sure?" Well, I have a wonderful promise of God to stand on! Isaiah 43:2 declares, "*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you.*" You shall not be effected by your fiery circumstances, provided you keep walking! Notice that this verse confirms the advice I gave my friend. It says, "When you WALK THROUGH the fire." As long as you **keep going**, you will be victorious!

Morgan Freeman said this, "I always tell my kids. If you lay down, people will step over you. But if you keep scrambling, if you **keep going**, someone will always, always give you a hand. Always. But you gotta keep dancing, you gotta keep your feet moving."