

Isaiah 28:23-29

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There is a _____ “grind”.

- Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

But His plan is _____...
...and His wisdom is _____!

The “grind” is _____.

- Genesis 3:14-19

- Romans 8:22

The “grind” is _____.

- Matthew 24:6-7

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- II Corinthians 4:7

But His plan is _____...
...and His wisdom is _____!

- II Corinthians 4:17

- Romans 8:18-39

Takin’ it “to-go”:

HOME STUDY QUESTIONS & MESSAGE SUPPLEMENT

Sunday, April 11, 2021: “The Grind”

Thinking about it:

What is the purpose of Boot Camp for recruits going into the military?

Why is it so brutal on the recruits?

How does going through the “grind” of boot camp affect the relationships between all the men and women in the service wherever they end up being deployed?

What are the consequences of not putting the recruits through such an intense preparation for their deployment?

What are the benefits that come from the “grind” of boot camp?

In Sunday’s message we learned that there is a “grind” in life... a grind that is global and has existed since the fall of man... a grind that is governmental as differing nations and cultures having conflict... and a grind that is personal where we struggle with our life’s circumstances. Isaiah equated the grind to a farmer plowing a field and grain being threshed and ground to make bread. The field and the seed go through the “grind” for a season as an essential part of producing the desired results. Isaiah tells us that God’s plans are the desired result for us and that *“His plans are wonderful and His wisdom is magnificent!”* As followers of Jesus, the grind of our lives is part of God’s wonderful plans born from His magnificent wisdom!

What do we learn about “the grind” from these passages?

- **I Peter 1:6-7**
- **II Corinthians 4:7-9**
- **II Corinthians 12:9-10**
- **Romans 5:3-5**
- **James 1:2-4 & 12**
- **Romans 8:18**

PRAY: *Thank God for “THE GRIND”... yes, even the grind! Thank Him for His presence with you that will never leave you nor forsake you, but actually strengthen you through it all! Ask Him to show you how you can “show” his all-surpassing power in your “jar of clay” while you are in the grind. Praise Him for the glory that awaits the faithful that far outweighs our struggle!*

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There is a **CONSTANT** “grind”.

- Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

But His plan is **WONDERFUL**...

...and His wisdom is **MAGNIFICENT!**

The “grind” is **GLOBAL**.

- Genesis 3:14-19

- Romans 8:22

The “grind” is **GOVERNMENTAL**.

- Matthew 24:6-7

The “grind” is **PERSONAL**.

- II Corinthians 4:7

But His plan is **WONDERFUL**...

...and His wisdom is **MAGNIFICENT!**

- II Corinthians 4:17

- Romans 8:18-39

Takin’ it “to-go”: *No matter the “grind”, I am part of God’s wonderful and magnificent plan!*