

HEBREWS

[J E S U S I S B E T T E R]

11:1 - 12:13 The Promise and The Hope

12:1-13 Faith: *Living OUT the Promise*

FAITH: Running To Win

Faith that Endures Discipline

10:36-39

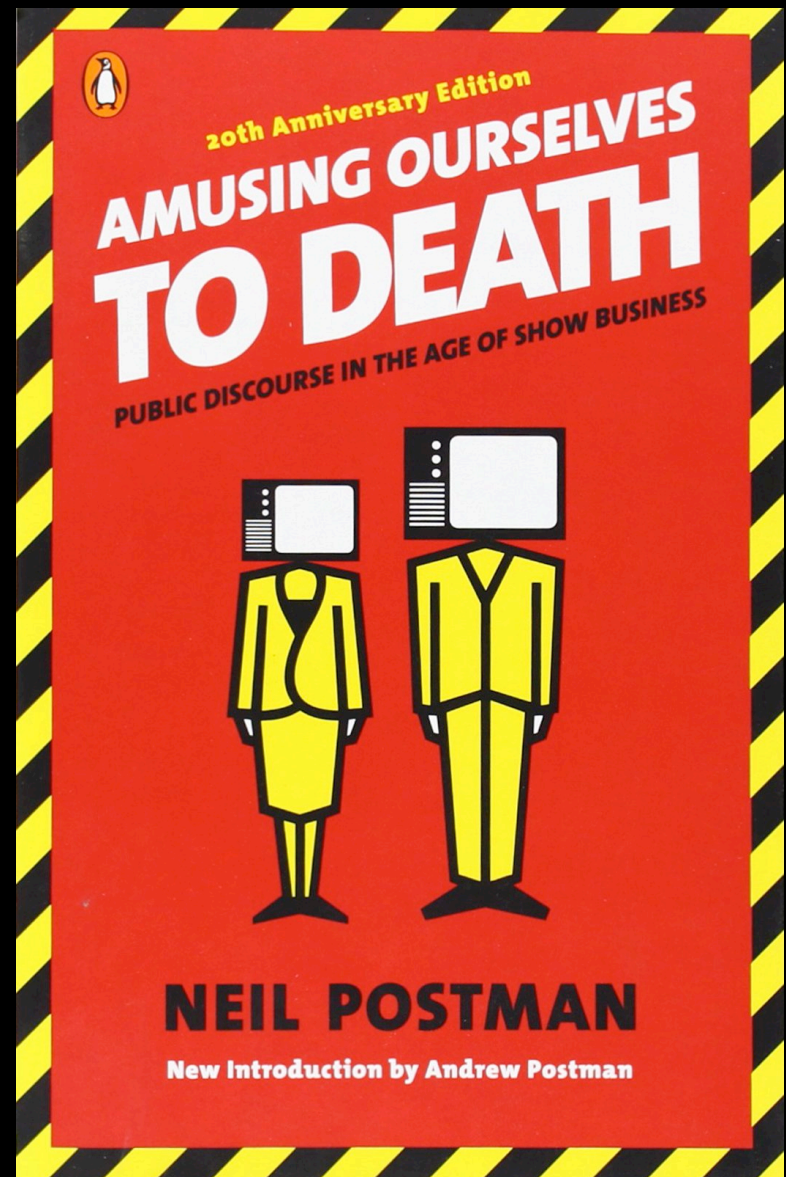
(YOU) work out your salvation with fear and trembling

for it is God who is at work in you,
both *(for YOU)* to will and to work for (His) good pleasure

faith can be eroded by
constant exposure to harsh
circumstances

Prosperity

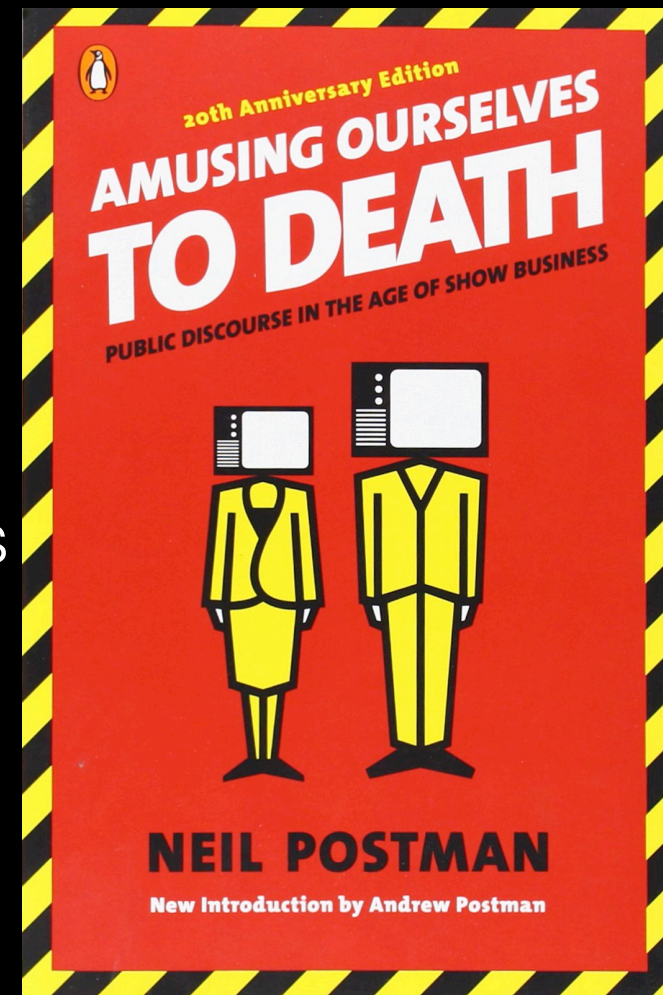
persecution



“I believe I am not mistaken in saying that Christianity is a **demanding and serious** religion. When it is delivered as **easy and amusing**, it is another kind of religion altogether.”

“There is nothing wrong with entertainment. ...we all build castles in the air. The problems come when we try to live in them.”

“**People will come to adore the technologies that undo their capacities to think**” (*Twitter?*)



12:1-3 A Call to ***RUN!***

12:4-11 Why Suffering?

"Pain is God's Megaphone" C.S. Lewis

12:12-13 A Call to ***RENEW!***

12:1-3 A Call to **RUN!**

Let US **run** with endurance ...

fixing our eyes on **Jesus**

the witnesses are examples

BECAUSE... **Jesus has sat DOWN!**

the perfect priest – in the perfect place

RUN!!



*laying aside ...
every encumbrance*

*and every **sin***

consider carefully ...

Disciple: SON

He disciplines us . . .

SO THAT we can share in His Holiness

Discipleship: SONSHIP

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12:6 It is evidence

12:7 It strengthens us

12:8 It "legitimizes" us

12:10 It prepares us

12:11 It is discipline – NOT judgment

12:11 those who have been trained by discipline,
find that discipline produces the
peaceful fruit of righteousness

5:12-14 ... and you have come to need milk and not solid food
... not accustomed to the word of righteousness ... an infant.
But solid food is for the mature (*the disciplined*), who because of
practice (*training*) have their senses trained to discern good and
evil (*they do the right things, the BEST things*)

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A photograph of a man in a dark blue jacket and dark pants walking on a green artificial turf field, likely a baseball field. He is using two wooden crutches for support. In the background, there are stadium seating and a green outfield fence.

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An Orthopedic Metaphor ...

Weak **H**ands - your work
Feeble **K**nees - your prayer
Lame **F**eet - your walk

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YOU Strengthen ...
YOU Get Straight ...

**Or YOU will be put out of commission ...
Disqualified!!**

But rather (*better*) **BE HEALED** (*by the Lord*)

1 Cor 9:27 but I **discipline** my body and
make it my slave, **so that**, after I have
preached to others, **I myself will not be**
disqualified (taken out of the race)

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12:14 - 13:25 Living in a Hostile World

12:14-29 Apostasy: *The Ever Present Danger*