Delayed Gratification

*“The Blessing of Self-Control”*

Intro:

Text: II Cor. 4:17

1. One presidential hopeful this week said that (and I quote) “the whole ballgame” revolved around II (Two) Corinthians 3:17. That candidate was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. With all due respect, I believe that the essence of Christianity is found in our text.
2. The Bible is full of passages that demonstrate the importance of our topic today.
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:
4. James 1:12
5. Heb. 6:12
6. Titus 2:11-14
7. Hab. 3:1-19
8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:
9. Gal. 5:22-23
10. II Peter 1:5-7
11. I Cor. 9:24-27
12. II Tim. 1:7
13. Prov. 16:32
14. Matt. 6:33
15. Illustration of the Stanford study- “the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_test.”
16. *The blessing of self-control is that it…………..*
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* Prov. 16:32

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* I Cor. 10:13

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* II Peter 1:5-7

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* I Cor. 9:27

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* Matt. 6:33

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* Titus 2:11-13