

**I am
disciplined
and
self controlled**

“For the time being, no discipline brings joy, but seems grievous and painful; but afterwards it yields a peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.”

New Living Translation

“You say, “ I am allowed to do anything” - but not everything is good for you. And even though “ I am allowed to do anything,” I must not become a slave to anything.” 1 Cor 6:12

and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone.

2 Peter 1:6-7

...train yourself to be godly.

1 Timothy 4:7

Amplified

“Everything is permissible (allowable and lawful) for me; but not all things are helpful (good for me to do, expedient and profitable when considered with other things). Everything is lawful for me, but I will not become the slave of anything or be brought

6 And in [exercising] knowledge [develop] self-control, and in [exercising] self-control [develop] steadfastness (patience, endurance), and in [exercising] steadfastness [develop] godliness (piety),

⁷And in [exercising] godliness [develop] brotherly affection, and in [exercising] brotherly affection

Train yourself toward godliness (piety), [keeping yourself spiritually fit].

Where are the marks of the cross in your life? Are there any points of identification with your Lord? Alas, too many Christians wear medals but carry no scars.

Vance Havner American Revivalist and writer.

Here, then, is the real problem of our negligence. We fail in our duty to study God's Word not so much because it is difficult to understand, not so much because it is dull and boring, but because it is work. Our problem is not a lack of intelligence or a lack of passion. Our problem is that we are lazy.

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