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A close-up photograph of a cluster of purple flowers, likely azaleas, with prominent stamens. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, showing the intricate details of the petals and reproductive parts. The background is a dark, out-of-focus green, suggesting foliage.



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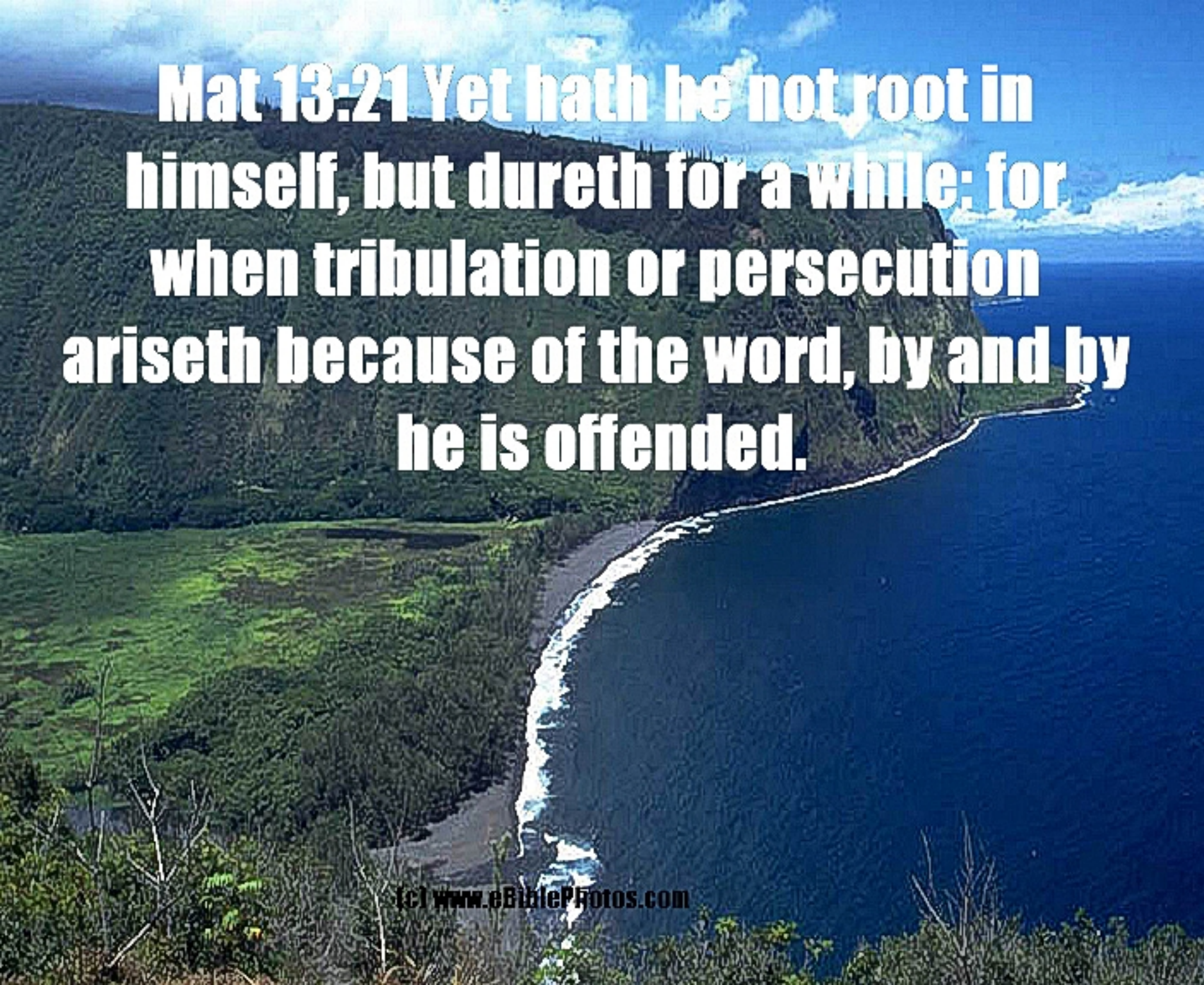
# Word Study for --- PERSECUTION





**Lam 05:05 Our necks [are] under  
persecution: we labour, [and] have no  
rest.**





**Mat 13:21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.**



**Mar 04:17 And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.**



**Act 08:01 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.**



**Act 11:19 Now they which were scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.**



**Act 13:50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coasts.**





**Rom 08:35 Who shall separate us from  
the love of Christ? (shall) tribulation,  
or distress, or persecution, or famine,  
or nakedness, or peril, or sword?**

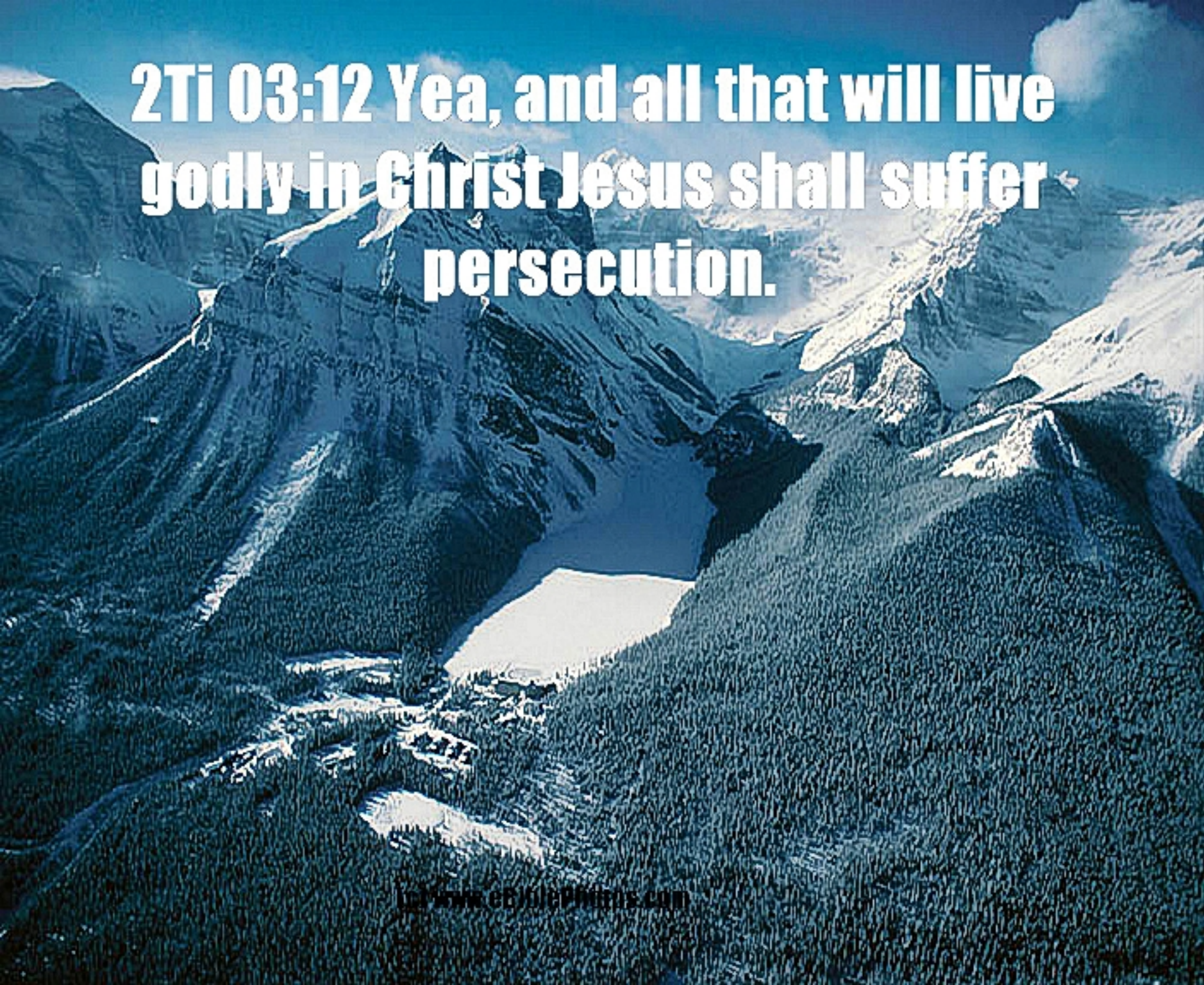


**Gal 05:11 And I, brethren, if I yet preach  
circumcision, why do I yet suffer  
persecution? then is the offence of  
the cross ceased.**



**Gal 06:12 As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.**



A scenic view of a mountain valley. The foreground is dominated by a dense forest of evergreen trees. In the middle ground, a river flows through the valley, surrounded by more forested slopes. The background features rugged, snow-capped mountain peaks under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall atmosphere is serene and majestic.

**2Ti 03:12 Yea, and all that will live  
godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer  
persecution.**