

"REALLY! WHAT'S NEXT?"

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MEMORY VERSE: "For whoever finds me finds life...." John13:34-35 (NIV)

Foundationally, the Person of God, 'Who God Is'—is revealed in His Word, His Son and His burnishing of our faith in life!

Proverbs 8:35a NIV'84

"We are saved to a person, to Jesus Christ-not a cause." - Oswald Chambers

"Truth without relationship leads to rebellion." – Josh McDowell

The Fragility and Difficulty of Life

Perspective! Minor or Major?

John 16:33b NIV

2 Corinthians 12:10 NIV

"It takes a tremendous amount of discipline to live the worthy and excellent life of a disciple of Jesus in the realities of life." – O. Chambers

So how do we? Answer in 3D: Dare. Determine. Decide.

Dare to Believe!

Mark 9:24b NIV

Do we dare believe in our ever-present, all-knowing and all-powerful God? That He is able; He is with us?

Ephesians 1:19-20a NLT

Determine to Remember!

Romans 8:18,31 and 37 NIV

Do we remember who we are; better yet whose we are? All God has done, is doing & will do?

Psalm 78:35 NLT

Decide to Rely!

Psalm 59:17 NIV

Do we rely on anyone or anything else but God first and God alone?

Proverbs 3:5 AMP

How will and is this life difficulty increasing my knowledge of, love for and faith in God?

"I never said it would be easy, but it would be worth it!" - Unknown

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"A good summary of God is; He is a perfect being with a plan for life that presides over all and has the emotions to care about what happens as He presides." – Kyle, 13 years old (Truth Project)

Psalm 46:1-2,7,10a NIV'84

Exodus 14:14-15 AMP

God doesn't always protect us from difficulties, but fights for and protects us in & during our difficulties.

"Through it all, may the joy of the Lord be my strength...so be still and choose joy!"

Right now, what do I need to surrender to the person of God?

How will and is this life difficulty increasing my knowledge of, love for and faith in God?

Proverbs 8:35a NIV'84

Pray the 3D's: Dare to Believe! Determine to Remember! Decide to Rely!

REFLECT

Questions to reflect on in your personal quiet time, with the family and/or in your Life Group.

- 1. Share your understanding of what the message was about.
- 2. How can we apply and integrate this message into our life?
- 3. Discuss: 'We are saved to a person, not a cause." AND "Truth without relationship leads to rebellion."
- 4. Do we dare to believe that God is able? He is with us? Read Mark 9:24 and Ephesians 1:19-20.
- 5. Have we determined to remember all that God has done, is doing and will do? Read Romans 8:18,31,37-39.
- 6. Do we rely on anything or anyone else but God first and God alone? Read Psalm 59:17 and Proverbs 3:5-6.
- 7. How will and is this life difficulty increasing my knowledge of, love for and faith in Jesus?

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