

Today's Theme

“Staying Alive“

Series Title

“Success God’s Style” Part 10

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How To Stay Passionate

Romans 12:11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

1. At what Jesus wants *for & from* me?
2. When *heartache hits* my life - S-M-L.
3. When *everything* in me wants to *give up*.

Four Really Big Questions

1. Can I *accept* what *comes* in my life?

Romans 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

2. Can I *adjust* when *difficulty* hits?

Heb 12:3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

3. Can I *trust* when I feel *fearful*?

Luke 8 24 The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Master, Master, we’re going to drown!” He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. 25 “Where is your faith?” he asked his disciples. In fear and amazement they asked one another, “Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him.”

4. Can I *move on* when I want to *give up*?

Gal 6:9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Things To Count On

1. Character can win over *circumstances*.

1 Thess 5:16 Rejoice always, 17 pray continually, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

Eph 6:7 Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people, 8 because you know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do,

2. Struggles can lead to more *strength*.

James 1:2 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, 3 because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. 4 Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

3. God’s timing is *set & perfect*.

Jer 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

4. Jesus will never *leave you alone*.

Deut 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.”

Matt 28:20 And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

**Struggles Are *Inevitable*
Destruction Is *Optional***