

Facing the Valley of Fear

“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want ... Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.” ***Psalm 23:1,4***

“**OUR HOPE** for you **IS UNSHAKEN**, for **WE KNOW** that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort.” ***2 Cor. 1:7***

What we KNOW is what gets us THROUGH!

1. REMEMBER not everything is TRUE

“The gullible believe anything they're told but the prudent sift and weigh every word.” Prov. 14:15 (Message)

“Every prudent man acts with knowledge, but a fool flaunts his folly.” Prov 13:16

“Spouting off before listening to the facts is both shameful and foolish.” Prov. 18:13 (NLT)

“Fools have no interest in understanding; they only want to air their own opinions.” Prov 18:2 (NLT)

“Buy truth, and do not sell it; buy wisdom, instruction, and understanding.” Prov. 23:23

2. REMEMBER not everyone is at equal RISK

3. REMEMBER this will PASS

“Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.” 1 Peter 4:12

“The earth lies defiled under its inhabitants; for they have transgressed the laws, violated the statutes, broken the everlasting covenant ... The earth is utterly broken, the earth is split apart, the earth is violently shaken.” Isaiah 24:5, 19

“For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.” 2 Cor. 4:17-18

4. REMEMBER to focus on what is UNCHANGING

1. God’s Word Never Changes – Isaiah 40:8
2. God sees everything I’m going through – Psalm 139:1-6
3. God cares about everything I’m going through – Matthew 10:26-31
4. God has the power to answer prayer – Matthew 7:7; Philippians 4:6
5. God always acts out of his goodness to me – Romans 8:28, Psalm 23:6
6. God always acts to the Glory of His name – Ephesians 1:4-6
7. God’s plan is always better than my plan – Isaiah 55:8; Psalm 33:11; Jeremiah 29:11
8. God is always faithful to provide – Matthew 6:25-33
9. God always has a purpose for us – Matthew 22:37-40; 28:18-20
10. God will never stop loving me – Romans 8:39
11. The Gospel never changes – James 1:17; 2 Timothy 2:13; Hebrews 13:8
12. I cannot lose my salvation once I have trusted in Jesus – Philippians 1:6

5. REMEMBER no matter what I go through, GOD will go through it with me

“When you go through deep waters, I will be with you! When you pass through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown! When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned up; it will NOT consume you!” **Isaiah 43:2**

6. REMEMBER this is not the END of the WORLD

“We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed ... knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. **2 Cor. 4:8-9,14**

“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.” **Rev. 21:4**

7. REMEMBER God wants to USE me to help others

“Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.” **1 Cor. 12:27**

“Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul.” **3 John 2**

“By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” **John 13:35**

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“On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come.” **1 Cor. 16:2**

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- F. Contact the Church if you have any questions, concerns, or ways to serve each other – 519-225-2580; or byron@communitybible.ca

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