

BEYOND OUR STRENGTH

2 Corinthians 1:2-10 // July 18, 2021

GOD'S FAITHFUL PRESENCE IN AFFLICTION (V. 2-3)

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of *all* comfort ..." (2 Corinthians 1:3)

GOD'S SOVEREIGN PURPOSE IN AFFLICTION (V. 4-9A)

"... who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God." (v. 4)

"For we were so utterly burdened beyond our strength... but that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God..." (vv. 8-9)

GOD'S UNFAILING POWER IN AFFLICTION (V. 9B-10)

"...this was to make us rely, not on ourselves, but on God... **who raises the dead.**" (v. 9b)

"He delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us." (v. 10)

Some of you people of God, when you get bitter waters, want to throw them away. Do not throw a drop of it away, for that is the water you have yet to drink. Accept your afflictions. They are part of your education. - Charles Spurgeon



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Psalms 30:11

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **John 1.14-34**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

There are so many aspects of our faith, and the faith we live out is very complicated as we encounter hardship, suffering, trials, and dark periods of life. How do the truths in **Ephesians 1.13, 14** help you to preach the Gospel to yourself and give you hope and confidence in your faith?

Repent and Ask for Provision

We see that the Spirit is given not only to fill us, but then to overflow from our hearts. But sometimes it may seem like a trickle. What things are going on in your mind, heart, or life that may be “clogging” the stream of living water from your heart? What might you ask the Lord for, as well as repent of, to unclog that stream?

Your Life Mission

Write down some of the ways you reached out to others this past week. Check in on each other on their “quarantine plan” for engaging and encouraging others. Continue to work on and work out a plan for you to be able to have these streams of living water flow from your heart and into the lives of those around you.

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God’s sovereignty and plan for your life.



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