

# GOD NEVER SAID THAT

## God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle

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*...God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out...* **1 Corinthians 10:13**

*"My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear... I am exhausted and completely crushed. My groans come from an anguished heart."* **Psalms 38:4, 8**

*...[Jesus] began to be deeply distressed and troubled. "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death..."* **Mark 14:33-34**

### Why would God give us more than we can handle?

#### 1. We depend on \_\_\_\_\_

*"In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me... When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you..."* **Jonah 2:2, 7**

*"Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord, "and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you," declares the Lord, "and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile."* **Jeremiah 29:12-14**

*When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me.* **Hosea 13:6**

#### 2. We experience \_\_\_\_\_

*"But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong."* **2 Corinthians 12:9-10**

*"I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead."* **Philippians 3:10-11**

*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.* **Romans 8:28**

### Because God works together all things for good...

1. \_\_\_\_\_ happen to Christians
2. When things work together for good, \_\_\_\_\_
3. Even though bad things happen, they \_\_\_\_\_

#### Next Steps:

- ☐ Start each morning this week reading Philippians 3:10-11
- ☐ Listen to the sermon "A Christian's Happiness" by Timothy Keller (A Google search will find it)
- ☐ Strive to praise God for good things that happen to me. (Consider keeping a daily log of good and bad things that happen to me). Praise God for the good; Ask God to use the bad to make me more like him
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_