

August 31, 2014

## 1. Remember God the Father <u>loves</u> me, <u>chose</u> me and he won't let <u>go</u> of me.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! <u>According to</u> <u>his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope</u> <u>through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead</u>, 1 Peter 1:3 (ESV)

But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood <u>nor of</u> <u>the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God</u>. John 1:12–13 (ESV)

#### 2. Remember the <u>future</u> God has in store for me.

to <u>an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in</u> <u>heaven for you</u>, 1 Peter 1:4 (ESV)

Imperishable —

Undefiled —

Unfading —

## 3. Remember God promises to <u>protect</u> my faith in trials.

who <u>by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation</u> ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:5 (ESV)

#### 4. Remember trials are temporary.

*In this you rejoice, though <u>now for a little while</u>, if necessary, <u>you have</u> <u>been grieved by various trials</u>, 1 Peter 1:6 (ESV)* 

For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, 2 Corinthians 4:17 (ESV)

<u>For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth</u> <u>comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us</u>. Romans 8:18 (ESV)

#### 5. Remember trials <u>must</u> happen.

*In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, <u>if necessary, you have</u> <u>been grieved by various trials</u>, 1 Peter 1:6 (ESV)* 

#### 6. Remember trials prove my faith came from God.

so that <u>the tested genuineness of your faith</u>—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire.... 1 Peter 1:7 (ESV)

And <u>the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word,</u> receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. Luke 8:13 (ESV)

#### 7. Remember God uses trials to purify my faith.

so that the tested genuineness of your faith—<u>more precious than gold</u> <u>that perishes though it is tested by fire</u>... 1 Peter 1:7 (ESV)

Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for <u>whoever has suffered in the flesh has</u> <u>ceased from sin</u>, 1 Peter 4:1 (ESV)

### 8. Remember faith proven by trials is the most precious possession in the world.

so that the tested genuineness of your faith—<u>more precious than gold</u> <u>that perishes though it is tested by fire</u>.... 1 Peter 1:7 (ESV)

# 9. Remember faith tested by trials will be <u>richly</u> <u>rewarded</u> at Christ's return.

so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—<u>may be found to result in praise</u> <u>and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ</u>. 1 Peter 1:7 (ESV)

And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that <u>he rewards</u> <u>those who seek him</u>. Hebrews 11:6 (ESV)

Then they left the presence of the council, <u>rejoicing that they were</u> <u>counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name</u>. Acts 5:41 (ESV)

# 10. Remember that in trials, God gives us a joy that comes from $\underline{him}.$

Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him <u>and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory</u>, 1 Peter 1:8 (ESV)

You make known to me the path of life; <u>in your presence there is</u> <u>fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.</u> Psalm 16:11 (ESV)

Over lunch, talk about which of these 10 truths about trials is most important to you.

Write a one or two paragraph blog post on <u>www.Christ2RCulture.com</u> for this sermon to encourage others in their trials from these verses.



### 10 Truths Every Christian Needs To Remember When Life Falls Apart

September 7 - 1 Peter 1:10-12 — <u>The Hope of History</u> September 14 - 1 Peter 1:13-21 — <u>Holy from the Heart</u>