

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

COURAGE & STRENGTH IN THE STORM

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DON'T LOSE YOUR JOY

- There will be times in our lives when the sun is shining and everything is good, but there will also be times when it is raining and life loses some of its pleasure. It is easy to be joyful when life is good but it is harder when something goes awry. **Philippians 4:4-5**
- Fear and anxiety solve nothing. **verse 6**
- God will give us peace in the midst of the storm. **verse 7**
- Even if the problem is still there, we are to still praise God. Don't look around and be pessimistic. **verse 8**
- It is not us, but Jesus who gives us the power. **verse 13**

TRUSTING IN THE LORD

- God's promises must be appropriated by faith. **Mark 11:22-24; 1 John 5:14-15**
- We have nothing to fear if we are walking with the Lord in obedience and holiness. **Deuteronomy 28:1-3**
- There are times when we can't see a way out, we can then choose to do something ourselves or simply trust the Lord. **2 Chronicles 20:1-37**
 - God's words were echoing in the minds of the people. **verses 15-17**
 - Jehoshaphat was faced with destruction, so he turned to God in a distinct way and appointed singers to lead the way to battle. **verse 21**

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- The Lord has equipped us with everything we need, it is up to us to put it to use. **Ephesians 6:10-18**
- Sometimes we feel empty and discouraged and all we have is a small amount of faith. God will take whatever we give Him and do wonders with it. Courage and strength are built in the midst of the storm when our faith is resting upon God. When we see Him doing the miraculous, in spite of the circumstances, it builds up our faith and provides us with credit the next time we face a challenge. God's promises are the most powerful tool we have when we feel alone and discouraged. **1 Peter 5:6-11; Psalm 34:1-22, 37:1-40**

