THE CHRISTIAN LIFE & WITNESS

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PART 2

"The Victorious Christian Life" (PSALM 25:4-5, JOHN 15:5)

THE NEW NATURE IN CHRIST:

- REQUIRES <u>OBEDIENCE</u> TO HIS WORD
- REQUIRES **DISCIPLINE** OF THE WORD
- REQUIRES **NURTURING** OF THE WORD

WALKING GOD'S PATHWAY OF VICTORIOUS LIVING WILL **ALWAYS** COME WITH SOME TYPE OF ADVERSITY.

- PAUL'S PHYSICAL ADVERSITY
 - 2 CORINTHIANS 12:7-10
- PAUL'S MISFORTUNES IN MINISTRY
 - o 2 CORINTHIANS 11:23-31
- JOB'S ADVERSITY FOR BEING BLAMELESS
 - O JOB 1:8-22
- STEPHEN ADVERSITY COST HIS LIFE
 - o ACTS 7

ADVERSITY CAN BE A FORM OF GOD'S DISCIPLINE (PSALM 119: 67,71,75; HEBREWS 12:3-11, 1 CORINTHIANS 11:31-32).

HOW ONE APPROACHES ADVERSITY REVEALS A LOT.

2 WAYS THAT ADVERSITY CAN BE SEEN:

- 1. AS A STEPPING STONE
- 2. AS A STUMBLING BLOCK

ALWAYS REMEMBER:

- ADVERSITY
 - o BUILDS
 - CHARACTER & CHRISTLIKENESS
- JAMES 1:2-4, ROMANS 5:3-5, 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18

THE PATH TO VICTORY IN JESUS:

- 1. BEING A TRUE FOLLOWER OF CHRIST GIVES ACCESS TO ALL OF GOD'S PROMISES.
- 2. THESE PROMISES ARE ATTAINED BY WALKING THE PATH OF GOD.

GOD'S WAY IS:

- WALKING IN THE SPIRIT
 - LEADING TO VICTORY AND FRUITFULNESS (GALATIANS 5:16, 22-23).
- WALKING IN THE LIGHT
 - LEADING TO CLEANSING AND FELLOWSHIP (1 JOHN 1:7-10)
- WALKING IN TRUTH/OBEDIENCE
 - LEADING TO COMPANIONSHIP AND LOVE (JOHN 14:21, 3 JOHN 4)

GOD'S PROMISE:

- FULFILLMENT (PSALM 16:11)
- SATISFACTION (PSALM 107:9)
- PEACE (ISAIAH 26:3)