



**“Pivotal Circumstances”**

# Growing our Faith

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## **Things that God uses to grow our faith.**

*Our life is lived by faith. We do not live by what we see in front of us. - 1 Corinthians 5:7*

*Dear brothers and sisters, we can't help but thank God for you, because your faith is **flourishing** and your love for one another is growing. We proudly tell God's other churches about your **endurance** and **faithfulness** in all the persecutions and hardships you are suffering. And God will use this persecution to show His justice and to make you worthy of His Kingdom, for which you are suffering. - 2 Thessalonians 1:3-5*

### **1) \_\_\_\_\_ Teaching**

*Just as the body is dead without breath, so also faith is dead without good works. - James 2:26*

### **2) Providential \_\_\_\_\_**

*“He (Christ) makes the whole body (you and I) fit together perfectly. As each part (person) does its own special work, it helps other parts \_\_\_\_\_, so that the whole body is \_\_\_\_\_ and growing full of love.” - Ephesians 4:16*

### **3) Private \_\_\_\_\_ Disciplines**

*Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas and old wives' tales. Instead, \_\_\_\_\_ yourself to be godly. “Physical training is good, but training for \_\_\_\_\_ is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come.” This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it. - 1 Timothy 4:7-9*

### **4) \_\_\_\_\_ Ministry**

*“We are not held back by what we don't have, but by what we don't use.” - Bob Goff*

### **5) \_\_\_\_\_ Circumstances.**

*Of crucial importance in relation to the development or success of something else; of greatest importance.*

*“Faith is not the belief that God will do what you want. It is the belief that God will do what is right.”*

God uses \_\_\_\_\_ pivotal circumstances to grow our faith.

God uses \_\_\_\_\_ circumstances in our lives to grow our faith, also.

Dennis Kinlaw – *“God does not want to save us from all of the storms of life. He wants to save us in those storms, for it is there that we find we cannot afford to live without Him.”*

*Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. - James 1:2-3*

Perseverance is “the continued effort to do or achieve something despite difficult circumstances, failure or opposition.”

*Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, not lacking anything. - James 1:4*

*Be thankful in \_\_\_\_\_, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus. - 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

## **Upcoming Special Events at CrossPointe:**

- December 6<sup>th</sup> – ASAA Christmas Drama (7-8PM)
- December 8<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Family FunDay / Bloodmobile
- December 12<sup>th</sup> – Caroling @ Tampa Gardens – (5PM)
- December 15<sup>th</sup> – Beloved Ornament Exchange (5-7PM)
- December 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Service (5PM)

**Contact the Church office @ 813-949-7727 for additional information.**

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Adult Bible studies, Young Adult Bible studies, Youth group, Kid’s Konnect, Creator Space, Prayer Groups, PALS 55+, Amazing Grace Ministries, Mission Trips, Softball, Media, Grounds and Greeting teams and more!

Answers:

- 1) Practical
- 2) Relationships
- 3) Grow / Healthy
- 3) Spiritual
- 4) Train / Godliness
- 4) Personal
- 5) Pivotal
- Positive
- Negative
- Mature / Complete
- All Circumstances