

LIFESTYLE of Dependence on God

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INTRODUCTION



OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.



2021 IS OUR YEAR OF KINGDOM ADVANCEMENT



Luke 12:32 (NIV)

³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.



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DEPEND ON GOD'S WISDOM



Proverbs 3:5–7 (NLT)

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

6 Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

7 **Don't be impressed with your own wisdom.** Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.



Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)

12 There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.



James 1:5 (NLT)

5 If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.



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DEPEND ON GOD'S STRENGTH



Isaiah 40:31 (NLT)

31 But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint.



Psalm 73:26 (NLT)

26 My health may fail, and my spirit may grow weak, but God remains the strength of my heart; he is mine forever.



2 Corinthians 12:8–10 (NLT)

8 Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away. 9 Each time he said, “My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness.” So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me. 10 That’s why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. **For when I am weak, then I am strong.**



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DEPEND ON GOD'S DEFENSE



1 Peter 2:23 (NLT)

23 He did not retaliate when he was insulted, nor threaten revenge when he suffered. He left his case in the hands of God, who always judges fairly.



Romans 12:19 (NLT)

19 Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, “I will take revenge; I will pay them back,” says the Lord.



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DEPEND ON GOD'S TIMING



Psalm 31:14–15 (NIV)

14 But I trust in you, Lord; I say, “You are my God.”

15 **My times are in your hands**; deliver me from the hands of my enemies, from those who pursue me.



Isaiah 60:22 (NLT)

22 The smallest family will become a thousand people, and the tiniest group will become a mighty nation. At the right time, I, the Lord, will make it happen.”



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CONCLUSION



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