### **NO CHANGE WANTED?**

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## **INTRODUCTION:**

A. Change and more change!

For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven.

- Ecclesiastes 3:1

### I. IT'S INEVITABLE

A. Change is unavoidable.

"As long as the earth remains, there will be springtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, day and night." — Genesis 8:22

B. Change is **not** always good but God uses it for good – if we let Him.

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them.

— Romans 8:28

• God even uses **human** error and sin.

"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." — Genesis 50:20

God wants to <u>build</u> our Christ like character.

For God knew in advance, who would come to Him, and He chose them to become like His son..."

— Romans 8:29

C. Every change is a **test** of our faith.

The purpose of these troubles is to test your faith as fire tests how genuine gold is...

— I Peter 1:7

#### II. WHEN WE'RE STRESSED BY CHANGE

A. Invest more time with God.

Don't you know that the Lord is the everlasting God, and He created everything on this earth? And He never grows tired or weary...Instead, He gives strength to those who are weary and worn out; and He gives power to the weak. Even young people become exhausted and want to give up. BUT those who trust and wait on the Lord will find new strength, flying high like eagles. They will run and not grow weary.

They'll keep going and not faint.

— Isaiah 40:28-31

B. We need His **Divine** perspective.

If you need wisdom, just ask God for it! God is generous and He'll gladly tell you what you need.

— James 1:5

 That helps us ask "what do you want me to learn?" instead of "Why is this happening to me?"

I have learned the secret of being content in any and all situations, no matter what happens...I have the strength to face all conditions by the power that Christ gives me.

— Philippians 4:12-13

C. Keep trusting God.

A righteous person does not fear bad news, nor live in dread of what might happen. For they know in their mind (and heart) that God will take of them. — Psalm 112:7