

A STUDY  
**JOY**  
in the  
**JOURNEY**  
OF PHILIPPIANS

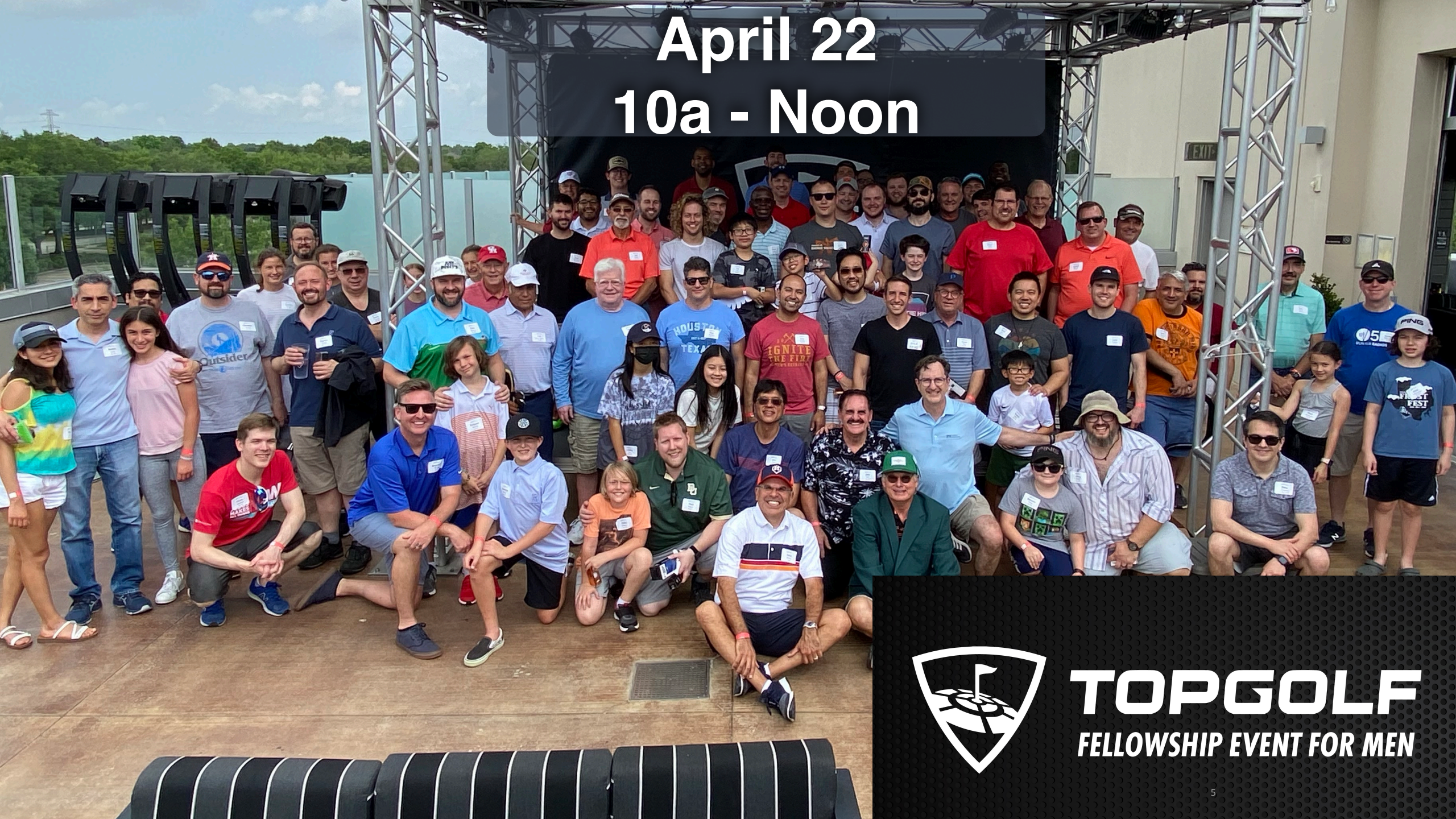


WARRIOR'S HEART

BAND OF  
**BROTHERS**  
MEN'S MINISTRY



April 22  
10a - Noon



**TOPGOLF**  
FELLOWSHIP EVENT FOR MEN



# STAND COURAGEOUS

## MEN'S CONFERENCE

SAT, MARCH 4 | HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH | 8:00 AM

**→ DATE CHANGE JUNE 3 ←**

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# The Example of Timothy

## Philippians 2:19-24



*Pure and Blameless!*



- **Phil. 1:9-10** *And I pray this: that your love will keep on growing in knowledge and every kind of discernment, 10 so that you can approve the things that are superior and can be pure and blameless in the day of Christ,...*
- **Phil. 2:14-15** *Do everything without grumbling and arguing, 15 so that you may be blameless and pure, children of God who are faultless in a crooked and perverted generation...*
- **Phil. 3:6** *...regarding the righteousness that is in the law, blameless.*





**We are not orphans striving and straining to do  
a little bit better...**



A man in a striped polo shirt and jeans is walking on a beach, holding the hand of a small child. They are walking away from the camera towards the ocean. The sky is a warm, golden color, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The waves are breaking on the shore.

*The*  
ADOPTED  
CHILDREN  
GOD

**...we are adopted sons who have been given the Spirit of God to empower us for life and godliness.**

<sup>19</sup> Now I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon so that I also may be encouraged when I hear news about you. <sup>20</sup> For I have no one else like-minded who will genuinely care about your interests; <sup>21</sup> all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup> But you know his proven character, because he has served with me in the gospel ministry like a son with a father. <sup>23</sup> Therefore, I hope to send him as soon as I see how things go with me. <sup>24</sup> I am convinced in the Lord that I myself will also come quickly.



# 1) Hope





**not self-effort, not chance,  
not good fortune**

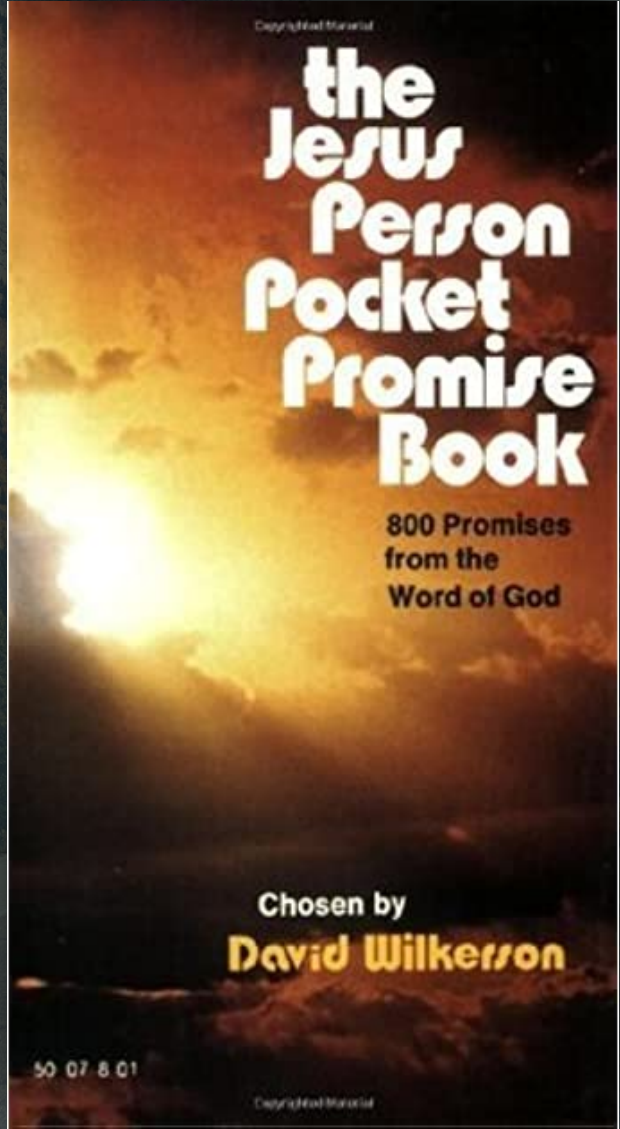


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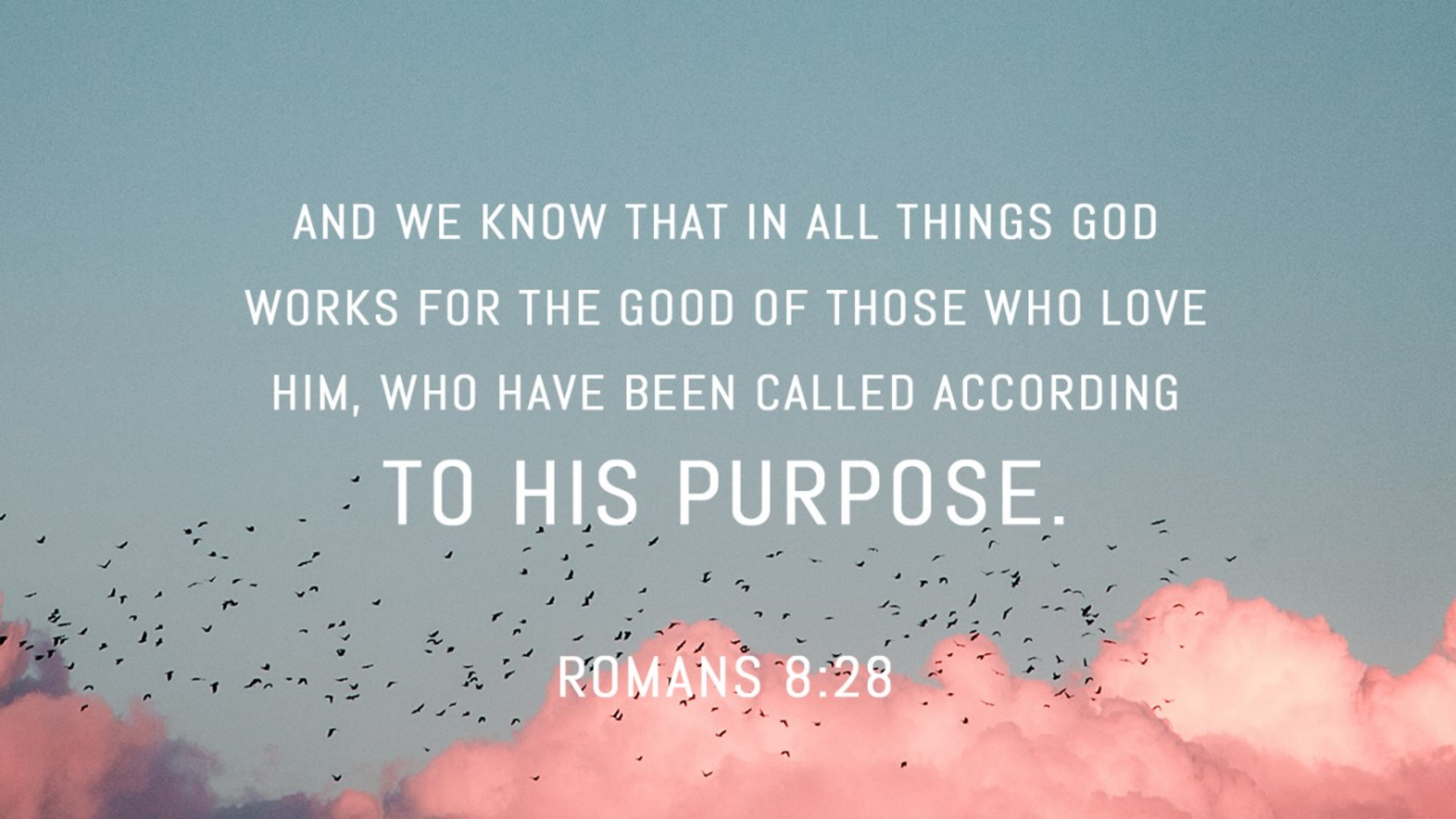


**Christian Hope is our  
response to God's promises,  
because we trust God's  
power and character.**









AND WE KNOW THAT IN ALL THINGS GOD  
WORKS FOR THE GOOD OF THOSE WHO LOVE  
HIM, WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED ACCORDING  
TO HIS PURPOSE.

ROMANS 8:28

**Hope has a name!  
His name is Jesus Christ!!!**



# 2) Example of Timothy



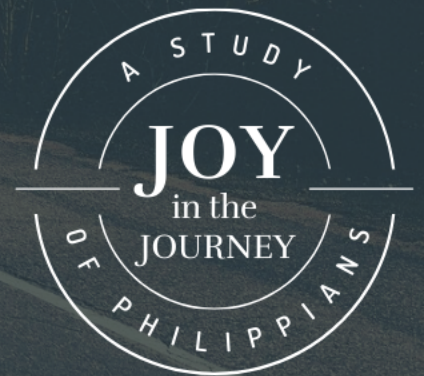
- What do I learn about God?
- What do I learn about humanity?
- What do I learn about the World?
- What do I learn about the Church?
- Is there an example for me to follow / avoid?
- Is there a sin to avoid / confess?
- Is there a promise to claim?
- Is there a prayer to repeat?
- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a verse to memorize?
- Is there a principle to follow / apply?
- Is there a challenge to face?



20 For I have no one else like-minded who will genuinely care about your interests; 21 all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. 22 But you know his proven character, because he has served with me in the gospel ministry like a son with a father.



- **Humble and Genuinely Concerned for Others**
  - **Romans 12:3** *For by the grace given to me, I tell everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he should think. Instead, think sensibly, as God has distributed a measure of faith to each one.*
  - **Philippians 2:4** *Everyone should look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*



*In a very real sense, all of us live either in  
Philippians 1:21 or Philippians 2:21!”*

**Warren Wiersbe**



- **Primarily concerned for Jesus Christ's Interest**
  - C. S. Lewis - *Put first things first and we get second things thrown in: put second things first & we lose both first and second things. We never get, say, even the sensual pleasure of food at its best when we are being greedy.*
  - **Matthew 6:33** - *Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.*

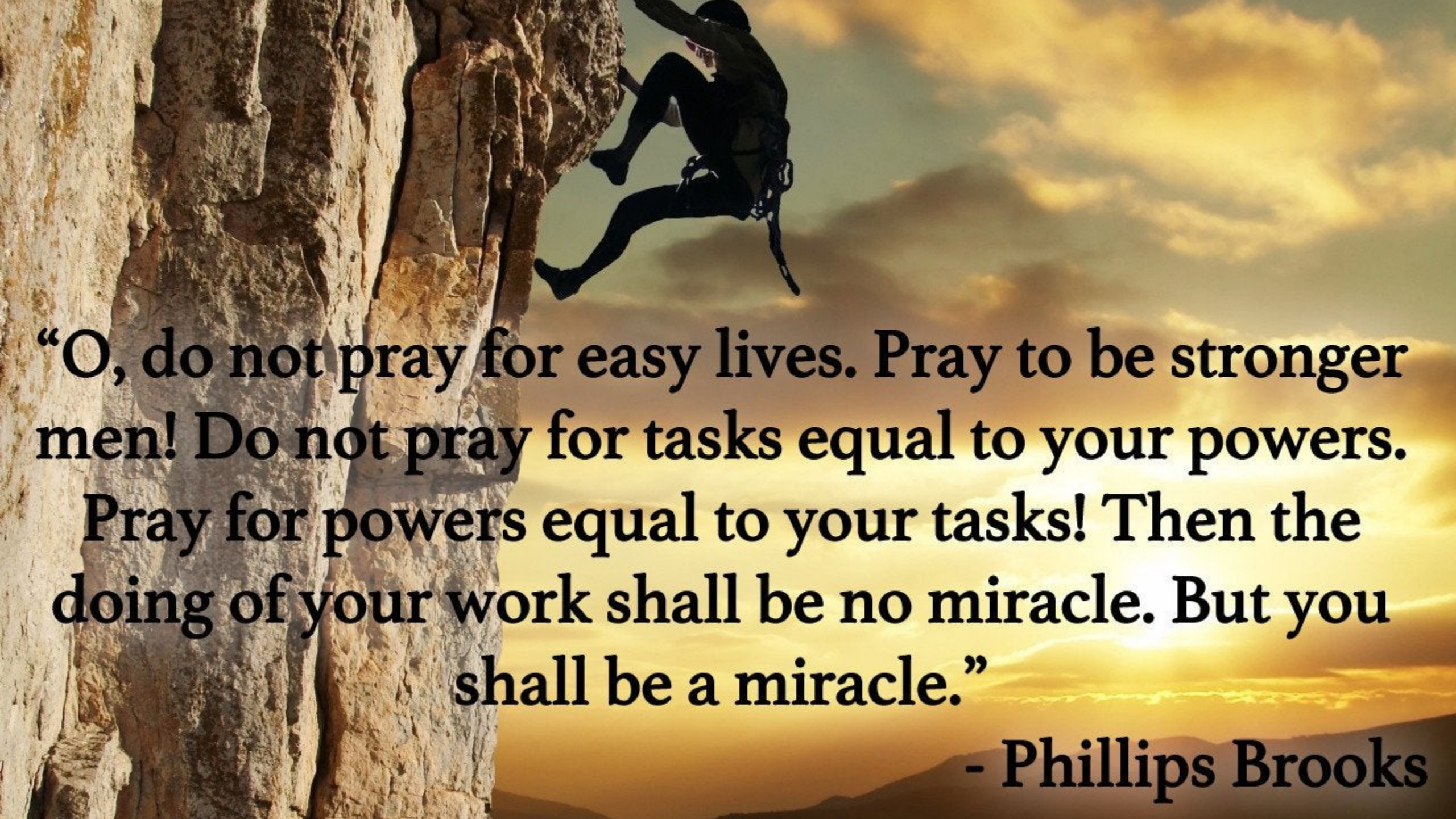




- **Had proven character working w/ others in a greater cause!**
  - *“A real mark of Christian maturity is the ability to work with others cooperatively under the banner and for the cause of Jesus Christ no matter the cost.”*





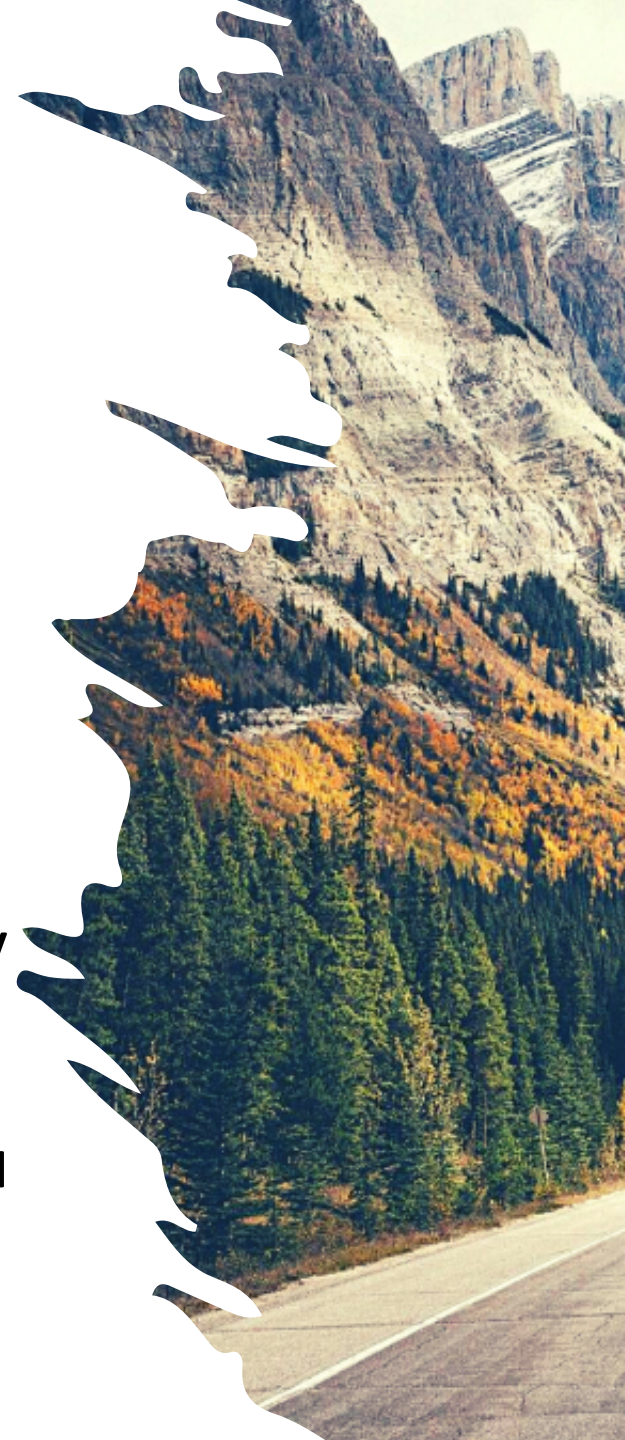


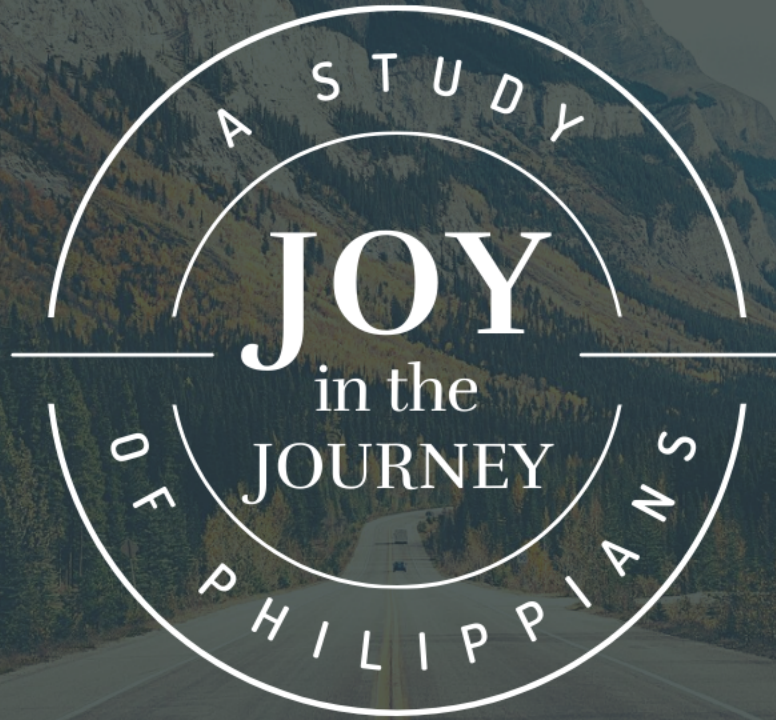
**“O, do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be stronger men! Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your tasks! Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle. But you shall be a miracle.”**

**- Phillips Brooks**

# Table Discussion

1. Is there an area of life that you are needing hope in? A challenge that has seemed hopeless? What promises of God can you lean on? If you are not sure, make a commitment to begin gathering promises.
2. What part of Timothy's example is most encouraging to you? Why?
3. Is there any part of Timothy's example that challenges you the most? How can you become more like Timothy in that area?
4. In what ways has your character been proven? Are you going through "fire" right now that could be refining your character?



A circular graphic with text overlaid on a background of a mountain road. The text is arranged in a circular pattern around the word "JOY".

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