

FOLLOWING GOD 04

WHEN YOU ARE STUCK

WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT FOLLOWING GOD.

YOU NEED A DREAM. WITHOUT THE DREAM YOU DRIFT.

DO SOMETHING BIG. DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE ON SMALL THINGS.

WORK THE DREAM. SWEAT YOUR VISION.

EVEN WHEN YOU ARE FOLLOWING GOD YOU CAN STILL GET _____. WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU GET STUCK?

I. _____ DO WE GET _____. ?

SOMETIMES GETTING STUCK IS _____ FAULT

THE FATHER _____ US AND ALLOWS US TO HAVE ACCESS AND INTIMACY.

THE FATHER SOMETIMES _____ US TOO.

Hebrews 12:6 (NLT)

For the LORD disciplines those he loves, and he punishes each one he accepts as his child."

Hebrews 12:11 (NLT)

No discipline is enjoyable while it is happening—it's painful! But afterward there will be a peaceful harvest of right living for those who are trained in this way.

Galatians 6:7 (NLT)

Don't be misled—you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant.

SOMETIMES GOD ALLOWS US TO STAY STUCK TO _____.

SOMETIMES GOD ALLOWS US TO GET STUCK TO _____

SOMETIMES GETTING STUCK IS _____

Abraham was stuck without children.

Jacob got stuck with crooked uncle Laban.

Moses got stuck in Midian.

David was stuck in caves.

Paul was stuck in prison.

BEFORE GOD CAN USE SOMEONE HE LETS THAT PERSON GET
_____.

Genesis 37:28 (NLT)

So when the Ishmaelites, who were Midianite traders, came by, Joseph's brothers pulled him out of the cistern and sold him to them for twenty pieces of silver. And the traders took him to Egypt.

Genesis 37:36 (NLT)

Meanwhile, the Midianite traders arrived in Egypt, where they sold Joseph to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. Potiphar was captain of the palace guard.

II. _____ DO YOU _____ WHEN YOU GET
STUCK?

1. ASK, "AM I _____ STUCK?"

Are you really stuck or are you just feeling stuck.

2. ASK, "_____ AM STUCK?"

Did I do this?

Did God allow this?

IF YOU STUCK YOURSELF THEN _____ FROM IT AND _____ FROM IT.

IF GOD LET YOU GET STUCK THEN _____ GOD AND _____ FROM IT

Psalm 66:10 (NASB95)

For You have tried us, O God; You have refined us as silver is refined.

3. DON'T GET _____

WHEN I LOOK TO THE MODEL OF JOSEPH THE TWO THINGS CONSPICUOUSLY LACKING ARE _____ AND _____.

Genesis 40:23 (NLT)

Pharaoh's chief cup-bearer, however, forgot all about Joseph, never giving him another thought.

Genesis 41:1 (NLT)

Two full years later,

Genesis 50:20–21 (NLT)

You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people.

No, don't be afraid. I will continue to take care of you and your children." So he reassured them by speaking kindly to them.

Hebrews 12:15 (NLT)

Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God. Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many.

DON'T GET _____. GET _____.

4. BECOME THE _____ OF YOU

Joseph turned every disappointment into an opportunity.

TURN _____ INTO _____.

WHEN THEY MADE HIM A SLAVE HE RAN THE HOUSE

Genesis 39:2–4 (NLT)

2 The LORD was with Joseph, so he succeeded in everything he did as he served in the home of his Egyptian master.

3 Potiphar noticed this and realized that the LORD was with Joseph, giving him success in everything he did.

4 This pleased Potiphar, so he soon made Joseph his personal attendant. He put him in charge of his entire household and everything he owned.

WHEN THEY THREW HIM IN PRISON HE TOOK OVER THE JOINT.

Genesis 39:21–22 (NLT)

21 But the LORD was with Joseph in the prison and showed him his faithful love. And the LORD made Joseph a favorite with the prison warden.

22 Before long, the warden put Joseph in charge of all the other prisoners and over everything that happened in the prison.

YOU CAN'T ALWAYS CHANGE YOUR _____. BUT YOU CAN ALWAYS CHANGE _____.

5. _____ THE FATHER

Genesis 39:2, "The lord was with Joseph..."

Genesis 39:21 But the Lord was with Joseph.

BEING STUCK IS NOT THE SAME AS BEING ABANDONED.

Hebrews 11:1 (NET)

1 Now faith is being sure of what we hope for, being convinced of what we do not see.

IF YOU STUCK YOURSELF THEN _____ AND
_____.

2 Chronicles 7:14 (NLT)

14 Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land.

IF GOD HAS YOU STUCK, THEN _____ AND _____