

Conclusion:

Decision #8 _____

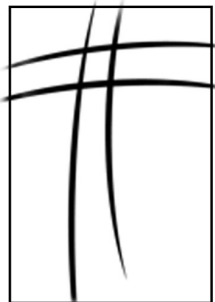
What's the conclusion of these principles!?

—TRUST THE _____!

1 John 1:8, 9 "8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

—TRY YOUR _____!

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what to do when God rewrites your life

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Try Your Ways

Allowing Hardship to Transform Us

Text: Lamentations 3

Lamentations 3:31-33, 39-41

"31 For the Lord will not cast off for ever: 32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies. 33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men....

39 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins? 40 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD. 41 Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens."

Introduction:

Hebrews 1:3 “3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;”

1. Jesus is _____ Towards Sin

Romans 1:18 “18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;”

Lamentations 3:33 “33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.”

Lamentations 3:39 “39 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?”

2. Jesus is _____ Towards Sinners

Isaiah 53:5 “5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.”

1 John 2:1, 2 “1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: 2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.”

Hebrews 10:12 “12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;”

3. Jesus Uses _____ to Grow His Children

Lamentations 3:40 “40 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.”

Proverbs 3:11 “11 My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:”

Hebrews 12:6 “6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth...”

Hebrews 12:11 “11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.”

Chastening is NOT _____

Chastening is always _____

Chasten—_____

Chastening is not merely a _____