# PHILADELPHIA CHURCH

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#### JOHN 14:6

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

# 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. <sup>2</sup> By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.<sup>3</sup> For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. <sup>6</sup> After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.

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<sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, <sup>8</sup> and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.<sup>11</sup> Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

### **ROMANS 8:28-29**

<sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

# 4 THINGS GOD DOES THROUGH OUR PROBLEMS:

1- He brings us Direction

2- He brings us Correction
Hebrews 12:5-6- <sup>5</sup> And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says, "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you,<sup>6</sup> because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.

# 4 THINGS GOD DOES THROUGH OUR PROBLEMS:

- 3- He brings us Protection
- Proverbs 18:10- <sup>10</sup> The name of the LORD is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

- 4- He brings us Perfection
- Philippians 1:6- <sup>6</sup> being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

#### **OBSERVATION**

# We often judge what we cannot see by what we can see.

#### **ROMANS 8:28**

<sup>28</sup> 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.

### EPHESIANS 2:10

<sup>10</sup> For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.