



Grabbing On to the Adventure of a Lifetime

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Psalm 34:18 (NIV)

HOW DO I FIND PURPOSE IN PAINFUL EXPERIENCES?

1. CHOOSE TO _____ WITH _____.

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Proverbs 18:10 (NIV)

2. REFUSE _____ IN EXCHANGE FOR _____.

³ We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. ⁴ And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. ⁵ And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

Romans 5:3-5 (NLT)

3. SEE _____ AS THE _____ TO BETTER.

⁶ So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while. ⁷ These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world.

1 Peter 1:6-7 (NLT)

4. TRUST THAT GOD IS UP TO _____.

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1. CHOOSE TO HOLD HANDS WITH GRACE.

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2. REFUSE DISAPPOINTMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR HOPE.

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