

## CIRCUMSTANCES

### **Genesis 15:1-6 (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.” <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, “O Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.” <sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir.” <sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, “Look up at the heavens and count the stars – if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>6</sup> Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

### **Psalms 118:24 (KJV)**

<sup>24</sup> This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

### **Ecclesiastes 7:14 (CEV)**

<sup>14</sup> When times are good, you should be cheerful; when times are bad, think of what it means. God makes them both to keep us from knowing what will happen next.

### **Ecclesiastes 9:12 (NKJV)**

<sup>12</sup> For man also does not know his time: Like fish taken in a cruel net, like birds caught in a snare, so the sons of men are snared in an evil time, when it falls suddenly upon them.

### **Jeremiah 17:7-8 (KJV)**

<sup>7</sup> Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. <sup>8</sup> For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

### **Jeremiah 42:6 (KJV)**

<sup>6</sup> Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.

### **Habakkuk 3:17-18 (NKJV)**

<sup>17</sup> Though the fig tree may not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines; though the labor of the olive may fail, and the fields yield no food; though the flock may be cut off from the fold, and there be no herd in the stalls – <sup>18</sup> Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

## Luke 8:22-25 (KJV)

<sup>22</sup> Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth. <sup>23</sup> But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled with water, and were in jeopardy. <sup>24</sup> And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm. <sup>25</sup> And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this! for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.

## John 11:21-22, :38-40 (KJV)

<sup>21</sup> Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. <sup>22</sup> But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. <sup>38</sup> Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hat been dead four days. <sup>40</sup> Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? <sup>41</sup> Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank tee that thou hast hear me. <sup>42</sup> And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me. <sup>43</sup> And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. <sup>44</sup> And he that was dead come forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

## Romans 8:28 (AMP)

<sup>28</sup> We are assured and know that [God being a partner in their labor] all things work together and are [fitting into a plan] for good to and for those who love God and are called according to [His] design and purpose.

## Galatians 4:13-14 (NIV)

<sup>13</sup> As you know, it was because of an illness that I first preached the gospel to you. <sup>14</sup> Even though my illness was a trial to you, you did not treat me with contempt or scorn. Instead, you welcomed me as if I were an angel of God, as if I were Christ Jesus himself.

## Philippians 1:12-14 (KJV)

<sup>12</sup> But I want you to know, brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, <sup>13</sup> so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; <sup>14</sup> and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

## 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (CEV)

<sup>18</sup> Whatever happens, keep thanking God because of Jesus Christ. This is what God wants you to do.

## Philemon 15-16 (NIV)

<sup>15</sup> Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back for good — <sup>16</sup> no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a man and as a brother in the Lord.