

“Surviving Your Faith Journey”

Message Map

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Scripture Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-28

STARTING POINT: What is your favorite TV Show? **Why?**

LIFE is about survival. It’s all about our Attitude.

“Rejoice always, pray continually, **give thanks in all circumstances;** for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

POINT TO PONDER: Navigating a Faith Journey is not unlike the preparation and implementation of a mountain climb or outdoor hike.

“**Ten Essentials**” vs. “**Inner Essentials**”

1 - **C**_____ - the willingness to do what ever it takes to achieve your goal.

“And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because **I know whom I have believed**, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.” 2 Timothy 1:11-12

2 - **P**_____ - the determination to continue in a course of action in spite of difficulty or lack of success.

“Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. **But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.**” Philippians 3:13-14

3 - **S**_____ - the strength to sustain long hours of work and yet maintaining high performance.

“**But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.**” Isaiah 40:31 KJV

4 - Positive Mental **A**_____ - Setting the thought firmly in your mind that you can achieve what you desire.

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, **but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.** Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.” Romans 12:2

5 - **C**_____

“I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. **I can do all this through him who gives me strength.**” Philippians 4:12-13

6 - Spirit of **A**_____ - Accepting a risk and standing up to your fear of the unknown and taking the path less traveled.

Self Reflection: The Story of the Magi - Matthew 2:1-12

DESTINATION: Where is YOUR Faith Journey taking you?