

# GOD QUESTIONS

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## How Do I Deal With Change?

Life is a series of \_\_\_\_\_ and change causes \_\_\_\_\_.

That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day. For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever. 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

The key to coping with change is to focus on the things that are truly \_\_\_\_\_.

## How Do You React To Change?

- I Sometimes we \_\_\_\_\_ change.
- II Sometimes we \_\_\_\_\_ change.
- III Sometimes we \_\_\_\_\_ from change.

## How Can I Avoid The Stress Of Change?

- I Build your life on a \_\_\_\_\_ that can't be shaken.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Hebrews 13:8

## To Never Fear the Future, Remember:

- I God's \_\_\_\_\_ for you will never change.
  - A) The LORD appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with loving-kindness. Jeremiah 31:3 (NIV)
  - B) Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? <sup>36</sup> (As the Scriptures say, "For your sake we are killed every day; we are being slaughtered like sheep.") <sup>37</sup> No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. <sup>38</sup> And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. <sup>39</sup> No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:35-39

III God's \_\_\_\_\_ will never change.

- A) Your word, O LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Psalm 119:89 (NIV)
- B) The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the word of our God stands forever." Isaiah 40:8
- C) God's word, the Bible, has stood the test of time.
- D) Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. Mark 13:31 (NIV)
- E) "Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. <sup>25</sup> Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. <sup>26</sup> But anyone who hears my teaching and ignores it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. <sup>27</sup> When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash." <sup>28</sup> When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, <sup>29</sup> for he taught with real authority—quite unlike their teachers of religious law. Matthew 7:24-29

IV God's ultimate \_\_\_\_\_ will never change.

- A) Remember, God is ultimately in control of history.
- B) Surely he will never be shaken; a righteous man will be remembered forever. He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord. Psalm 112:6-7
- C) However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son himself. Only the Father knows. Matthew 24:36
- D) Those who trust in the LORD are as secure as Mount Zion; they will not be defeated but will endure forever. Psalm 125:1
- E) The safest place to be is in the center of \_\_\_\_\_ for your life.

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.

Romans 8:28

NEXT STEPS:

- I will memorize Romans 8:28.
- I will follow the three steps we talked about today so I will never fear the future.