

# Get In the Habit of...

## 1. Enjoying Adversity

*James 1:2 (NIV)* Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds.

*2 Corinthians 4:10 (NLT)* Through suffering, our bodies continue to share in the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus may also be seen in our bodies.

*Ephesians 4:30 (Msg)* Don't grieve God. Don't break his heart. His Holy Spirit, moving and breathing in you, is the most intimate part of your life, making you fit for himself. Don't take such a gift for granted.

*Philippians 4:19 (NIV)* And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus

## 2. Rising to the Occasion

*Ephesians 1:18-19 (NIV)* that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, **(19)** and his incomparably great power for us who believe...

*Philippians 2:12-13 (NIV)* continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.

*1 Peter 4:12-13 (Msg)* Friends, when life gets really difficult, don't jump to the conclusion that God isn't on the job. Instead, be glad that you are in the very thick of what Christ experienced. This is a spiritual refining process, with glory just around the corner.

## 3. Recognizing God's Provision

*2 Peter 1:4 (NCV)* "you to share his divine nature"

*2 Corinthians 9:11-15 (NIV)* Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. **(11)** You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. **(12)** This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. **(13)** Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. **(14)** And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. **(15)** Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

*2 Corinthians 3:3 (NIV)* You show that you are a letter from Christ,... written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.