

# Faithful in the Fuzziness

Various Scriptures

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## Directing without Explaining

(Acts 16:1-10)

## Rough Waters Ahead

(2 Cor 11:24-28; John 16:33)

## Much More than Better Circumstances

(2 Tim 2:13; 2 Cor 4:17)

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## Personal Notes and Application

# FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. What has been your experienced as you have prayed and sought God's direction? Clarity or fuzziness? How do you discern if it is really God speaking to you?
2. Read John 16:33, Acts 14:22, & 2 Timothy 3:12. What is your understanding of the role of difficulty and suffering in the life of the believer? What did Jesus mean when He spoke of "trouble" in this world?
3. Recount a time when you took action based on your conviction that God was directing you. How has it turned out so far? What have you learned from the experience?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 4:11-18, Romans 8:28-30, & Philippians 1:6. What do these verses teach us about God's ultimate purposes for our circumstances?
5. In Matthew 16:18, Jesus declares that He will build His church, and that this church will be so powerful that it will overwhelm the gates of hell itself. And yet, He is apparently willing to let this eternity-impacting organization be led by fallible men and women. How do you explain this?
6. What is your number one take-away from Sunday's message? What practical steps will you take to apply it THIS WEEK?

