

“Seasons of Life bring Changes”**Text: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8****“There is a time for everything, & everything on earth has its special season.****² There is a time to be born & a time to die. There is a time to plant & a time to pull up plants.****³ There is a time to kill & a time to heal. There is a time to destroy & a time to build.****⁴ There is a time to cry & a time to laugh. There is a time to be sad & a time to dance.****⁵ There is a time to throw away stones & a time to gather them.
There is a time to hug & a time not to hug.****⁶ There is a time to look for something & a time to stop looking for it.
There is a time to keep things & a time to throw things away.****⁷ There is a time to tear apart & a time to sew together.
There is a time to be silent & a time to speak.****⁸ There is a time to love & a time to hate.
There is a time for war & a time for peace.”**

1. “Seasons” seem to be God’s natural order of things. And, He is fully _____ to carry us through every kind of “season” we will ever encounter.
2. Let us never forget that from before our birth to the moment of our death, God is accomplishing His divine _____ even though we do NOT always _____ what He is doing.
3. Seasons, seasons, seasons, the light, the dark, the bright, the dim, the challenges, the accomplishments, the trials, the testings, the troubles, the triumphs, the achievements are all part of _____ us into “seasoned” believers who are effective reflections of Christ to the world.

Jeremiah 29:11 states: **“I know the plans I have in mind for you, declares the LORD; they are plans for peace, not disaster, to give you a future filled with hope.”**

4. Our lives are NOT a series of “happenstances”, or “accidental occurrences”. God has a _____ plan and purpose for every single one of us. He knows WHAT we need when we need it. He knows HOW He is going to help us get from point A to point B in our _____ journey. He also is fully aware of our every move through the “seasons.”

Psalm 27:14 – **“Wait for the LORD’s help. Be strong and brave, and wait for the LORD’s help.”**