

We are _____.

John 14:8-9

Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

We are _____.

John 13:37-38

Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you." Then Jesus answered, "Will you really lay down your life for me? Very truly I tell you, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times!"

TRUTH #2: THROUGH FAILURE WE LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT _____.

God is _____.

Psalms 86:15

But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

God _____.

Psalms 103:10-12

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

God _____.

John 21:15-17

When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

God _____.

Romans 12:2

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.

TRUTH #3: THROUGH FAILURE WE LEARN NOT TO LET IT _____.

2 Corinthians 4:7-9

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

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HOME APPLICATION

Memorize 2 Corinthians 4:8-9

"We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed."

Recall a failure in your life. Ask two questions:

1. **What did God have in mind for me by that experience?**
2. **What do you learn about yourself and about God as you reflect?**

How will you allow God to change your thinking about others who fail . . . including your children, your spouse, your relatives, your co-workers, your neighbors, and your friends?

NEXT STEPS

#1: Fill out the communication card. If you are first time guest go to the guest services table and receive a free guest package.

#2: If you decided to follow Christ today sign up to get baptized!

#3: Sign up and attend our CLASSES (Christian Life And Service Seminars 101-401) on Thursday nights. Learn the "Cultivate" vision, verse, and how to use "The Relationship Clock" by going on the vision page of our website.

#4: Join the OWC community by attending Life Groups, Marriage In Motion, Celebrate Recovery, Momentum (Students), or Echo (Children).

#5: Come to our services and INVITE your family and friends to church.

#6: Become part of the team and SERVE at OWC by marking your interest today!



Text: FREE TO FAIL

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unless otherwise notated.

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GOD GIVES US THE _____.

THREE TRUTHS ABOUT BEING *FREE TO FAIL*

TRUTH #1: THROUGH FAILURE WE LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT _____.

We are _____.

John 15:5

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

We are _____.

Isaiah 53:6

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.