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Daniel 1:17

God gave them knowledge and skill in all literature and wisdom; and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.

God has the power and wisdom and resolve to equip you fully for whatever task or position He wants you to tackle.

We will never fail in a God-given task because God failed to give us what we need.

Daniel 2:44

And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.

When we face difficulties and challenges, it can give us great hope to remember that, whatever happens, we are intimately connected to the winning side.

Matthew 14:29-31

Focus on Jesus not the storm

And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out *His* hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

• Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸ So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Philippians 3:20-21

²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Lost and Found

Jesus is obsessed with lost things!

Jesus is in the business of finding and reclaiming that which is lost.

Luke 15 illustrates this beautifully.

Here's how Luke set up Jesus's story

The Parable of the Lost Sheep....

Now the tax collectors and "sinners" were all gathering round to hear him. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners, and easts with them.

Jesus then went on and told them three parables



Parable of the lost sheep

Parable of the lost coin.

Parable of the prodigal son.

Every person on this earth - whether we have done good things, bad things, evil things, or beautiful things - is VALUABLE to god. "

No matter who you are , what you've done , or where you find yourself , Jesus is ready to embrace you. "

No condemnation, just compassion and unconditional love.