## DISCIPLESHIP TODAY

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### THIS MONTH'S FOCUS - Dealing With Difficulty

#### And So the Story Goes....

In a storm at sea, apparent disaster was ahead. Robert Louis Stevenson's son was on board. He went to the pilot's cabin and started to ask if something could be done about the bad situation. Just then the pilot turned and smiled. Stevenson's son went back to the men and said, "I have good news." "What do you mean?" they asked. Stevenson's son replied: "I've just seen the pilot's face, and that's enough."

#### They Said It:

"We are safer in a storm with God than anywhere else without Him." — Jeremy Taylor

"Times of trouble have often been times of triumph to a believer. Suffering seasons have generally been sifting seasons in which the Christian has lost his chaff, and the hypocrite his courage"

— William Secker

"A faith that can't be tested can't be trusted."

- Warren Wiersbe

"It is often the case, as all saints know, that a fellowship with the Father and the Son is most vivid and sweet, and Christian joy the greatest, when the cross is heaviest."

– J.I. Packer

### Readings From The Scriptures:

Day 1 - Genesis 50:20

**Day 2** - Psalm 20

**Day 3** – Psalm 55:22

Day 4 - John 16:16-24, 33

**Day 5** – Romans 8:17-18, 31-39

Day 6 – Il Corinthians 4:16-18

**Day 7** – I Peter 5:8-11

#### Try This Memory Verse:

"I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken." (Psalm 16:8)

#### A Word of Thanks!

- To the Discipleship Center Prayer Team, who faithfully lift up TDC in prayer during ministry events, activities, and times of difficulty. God has helped us in tremendous ways as a result of your prayers.
- To each of you who continue to be a blessing to TDC through your prayers, donations, encouragement, and opportunities to serve you.
- To Vicki Cammer and her Ladies Bible Study Group, for the privilege of sharing part one of the "Suffering in the Life of the Christian" workshop with them on August 30th.
- To Pastor David Allison and the people of the Carthage (NY) Church of the Nazarene, for the opportunity to conduct evangelism workshops with them, and preach, on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

For workshop information, or to become a sponsor of TDC, please see our website at <a href="www.discipleshipcenter.org">www.discipleshipcenter.org</a> or you may contact us at: Ed Darling, Founding Director, 3356 E. Genesee Street Road, Auburn, NY 13021; <a href="edarlin1@gmail.com">edarlin1@gmail.com</a> // <a href="dearlin1@gmail.com">dcentercny60@gmail.com</a> // (315) 256-6548.



#### News & Notes . . . .

- Discipleship Nuggets, a twice-weekly devotional about discipleship topics, delivered by e-mail, will be available starting October 12, 2017. To receive these nuggets, contact us at edarlin1@amail.com
- A new listing of **TDC Workshops**, along with descriptions, is now available at our website (www.discipleshipcenter.org). On the home page, click on "workshops" under "Discipleship Avenues"; this gets you to the "Workshops Available" entry on the next page.
- Ed will be co-presenting a workshop on "Reaching & Teaching Millennials," with Paul Riggall, at the Upstate NY District SDMI Super Saturday at Auburn Nazarene Church on Saturday, October 21st. You are invited to attend. Other workshops will also be offered. (www.upstatedistrict.org)
- What books have been helpful to you during difficult times in your life? Send us a suggestion to <u>dcentercny60@gmail.com</u>.
   We will publish all suggested book titles in our next edition of Discipleship Today.
- This edition of Discipleship Today is dedicated to Paul Baum, an original supporter of TDC. Paul passed away recently. He has been a tremendous blessing to us for many years, and we will miss him.



# **Helps During Difficult Times**

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