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On Guard! Protecting My Relationship With God #16

"We Need Each Other"

2 Timothy 4:9-22

Essentials for protecting my relationship with God:

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2 Corinthians 7:5-7

1. Dealing with _____

2 Timothy 4:9-13 (NIV) ⁹ Do your best to come to me quickly, ¹⁰ for Demas, because he loved this world, has deserted me and has gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in my ministry. ¹² I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, and my scrolls, especially the parchments.

Truth: When I deepen my relationship with God I can face disappointment with _____

Colossians 3:12-13 (NLT) ¹² Since God chose you to be the holy people whom he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. ¹³ You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.

2. Dealing with _____

2 Timothy 4:14-18 (NIV) ¹⁴ Alexander the metalworker did me a great deal of harm. The Lord will repay him for what he has done. ¹⁵ You too should be on your guard against him, because he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶ At my first defense, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. ¹⁷ But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was delivered from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Truth: When I deepen my relationship with God, I can face opposition with _____

Isaiah 43:2-3 (NLT) ² When you go through deep waters and great trouble, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown! When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you. ³ For I am the LORD, your God.

3. Dealing with _____

2 Timothy 4:19-22 (NIV) ¹⁹ Greet Priscilla and Aquila and the household of Onesiphorus. ²⁰ Erastus stayed in Corinth, and I left Trophimus sick in Miletus. ²¹ Do your best to get here before winter. Eubulus greets you, and so do Pudens, Linus, Claudia and all the brothers. ²² The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

Truth: When I deepen my relationship with God, I can face loneliness with _____

Hebrews 6:19 (NIV) We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.

October Memory Verse - Matthew 16:24-25 (NIV) ²⁴ Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it."