

GOD CHOSE YOU FOR LIFE IN CHRIST

"...even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him."
Ephesians 1:4

Calling

Hidden in human vocations (family, citizen, and community), God is ministering to us and providing all our daily needs.

Persecution

1 in 8 Christians (340 million) live in places where they experience high levels of persecution and discrimination due to following Jesus Christ.

Facing Temptation

Millennials (ages 18-28) are most likely to report struggling with procrastination, worry, being lazy, spending too much time in media, over eating, gossiping, viewing porn, drug/alcohol abuse, and lying.

Transgenderism

Among 25,000 youth, transgender youth were twice as likely to report depressive symptoms, seriously consider suicide, and engage in suicidal behaviors compared to other youth.

Facts of Life

New Believers

Christianity is growing 1.18% per year, which is faster than the growth of atheism (0.22%), but slower than Islam (1.92%), Hinduism (1.28%), and Sikhism (1.71%).

His Word

You make known to me the path
of life; in your presence, there is
fullness of joy; at your righthand
are pleasures forevermore.

Psalm 16:11

Our Christian Response

Pray

- For those being persecuted
- To resist temptations
- To be spiritually content
- For an increase in faith
- The Lord works through us

Support Our Neighbor

- Love the sinner, hate the sin
- Elect Christians into positions of authority
- Financially aid church workers
- Share words of encouragement
- Mentor someone's Christian development

Thankful

- For God's daily bread
- The Holy Spirit maintains faith
- The Lord provides a way out of temptation
- For the growth among the body of Christ
- For opportunities to share the Gospel

