

## PRINCIPLES

A shallow soul produces a shallow faith.

Adversity is inevitable. Stress is optional.

Adversity is what circumstances do to you. Stress is what you do to yourself.

Affliction is allowed to accelerate spiritual growth, develop patience, increase trust in God and glorify Him.

Affliction will rearrange your thinking, if you let it.

Are you a risk taker or an excuse maker? Get in the boat and follow Jesus Christ.

Arrogance: Self-justification leads to self-deception followed by self-absorption ending with self-destruction.

Arrogance reacts. Humility responds.

Arrogant people have unrealistic self-images and unrealistic expectations.

Articulate, don't speculate.

As goes your spiritual life, so goes your nation.

As long as you are alive, God still has a plan for you.

Authority is not always fair, neither is life.

Bad decisions limit future options.

Bake in the Lake of Fire forever or live in the presence of God in heaven forever - your choice.

Be laconic.

Being happy depends on how you use your volition.

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Blessings come and blessings go, the Source remains the same.

Christianity is a personal relationship with God, not a religion.

Circumstances are your pulpit; use them to glorify God.

Contentment brings capacity for life, love and happiness.

Counsel yourself with God's Word.

Divine discipline is intended to get your attention.

Divine viewpoint thinking resists the lures of the world.

Don't audit the Christian life.

Don't bend to the demands of the world and don't blend God's Word to meet your desires.

Don't humanize God.

Don't let the good things of life take you from the best things of life.

Don't try to make money off of God.

Doubt is the absence of faith.

Emotionalism leads to faulty thinking.

Essential or non-essential? Evaluate distractions.

Every Christian is given a time and a standard; redeem the time and live up to the standard.

Every problem has a solution stated in the Bible.

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3 F's you need when you get to heaven (2 Timothy 4:7):  
I Fought ... I Finished ... I Kept the Faith.

Faith is spiritual stamina.

Fear and your spiritual life are not compatible.

Fear of dying inhibits living.

Fear sees the problem. Faith sees the solution.

Forgiveness process: Forgive the person. Forget the deed.  
Move on.

God answers prayer in His timing, not yours.

God designed you to think, not emote.

God expects you to represent Jesus Christ through your thoughts and actions and to re-present Him to others.

God gave you two ends - one to think with and one to sit on. Success in life depends on which end you use.  
Heads you win - Tails you lose.

God leaves you here for a purpose, His.

God speaks to you through His Word, the Bible.

God uses prepared Christians.

God wants you to be faithful not flawless.

God will never throw you under the bus.

God's direction may take you where you don't want to go.

God's plan is perfect and His timing is perfect.

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God's Word is the antidote for anxiety.

God's Word is the fuel to grow your faith.

Grace is God's policy. Grace is God doing all the work.

Grace is neither earned nor deserved.

Gritching doesn't glorify the Lord.

Growing old is inevitable. Growing up is optional.

Happiness does not depend on people or circumstances.

Happiness is a state of mind.

Have you ever asked God for an assignment?

Having money just gives you the ability to be miserable in a different part of town.

Holding on to the past is a waste of time.

Human solutions are no solutions. Divine solutions are the only solutions.

Human viewpoint thinking is stinkin' thinkin'.

Humility gives you true perspective.

Humility is teachability.

If God is in it, He will pay for it.

If Satan can influence your thoughts, he can control you.

If you are afraid of dying, you are afraid to live.

If you are not advancing spiritually, you are regressing.

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If you attend a church where the song service is longer than the teaching of God's Word, you're getting gyped.

If you don't arm your soul with the Word of God, you are a sitting duck in the angelic conflict.

If you don't use rebound, God's other problem-solving devices won't work.

In affliction it's okay to pray for yourself but once is enough; don't try to manipulate God in prayer.

In living, you apply God's Word; in dying, you live it.

It's never too late to make a course correction in life.

It's never too late to rebound, reconsider your ways or relocate to get under the teaching of a qualified pastor.

It's not our job to straighten out the devil's world.

Jesus Christ controls history.

Keep the outside sources of adversity from becoming stress in your soul by using God's problem-solving devices. This is your FLOT line (Forward Line of Troops) in your soul.

Keep these three aligned: the Witness of God's Word, Witness of Circumstances and Witness of the Holy Spirit.

LAG - Learn God's Word. Apply it. Grow to spiritual maturity and Glorify God.

Learn to appreciate the grace of God.

Learning Scripture is like peeling an onion, it's layered.

Leave your agenda behind and walk in God's unique plan.

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Life is a journey; God's Word is the guide.

Live life in the light of eternity.

Man looks on the outside; God looks on the inside.

Many people don't understand the God they know.

Many people spend money they don't have, to buy things they don't need, to impress people they don't even like.

Most suffering is self-induced - we mismanage our money, our health or our relationships.

Much of our activity is nothing but a cheap narcotic to deaden the pain of an empty life.

MVP - A spiritual MVP has Momentum, Virtue and Poise. Momentum from hearing and keeping God's Word on a daily basis. Virtue from discernment and insight of divine wisdom. Poise from the ability to think under pressure.

Never build your happiness on someone else's unhappiness.

Never make a critical decision without considering God's will; pray for guidance.

Norms and standards are designed to protect you.

Now is the time to prepare for old age.

Objective optimism is a characteristic of resiliency.

Once saved – Always saved.

Only God's Word helps others, not sharing your tragedies.

Patience and humility are learned spiritual skills.

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People with OPDs (obnoxious personality disorders): respond to them with an attitude of impersonal love.

Personal love for God is your motivation to execute the spiritual life.

Prayer is incredibly powerful; use it correctly and boldly.

Prayer is not a problem-solving device.

Prioritize your relationship with God over your relationships with people.

Priority or Passion? Put your priorities ahead of your passions.

Production is a result of spiritual advancement, not the cause.

Recognize providential circumstances; wait on God's lead and go through open doors.

Redeem the time. Tomorrow is not guaranteed.

Resist your three enemies: the world, the flesh (your sin nature) and the devil.

Respond to divine discipline; let it lead you back to God's plan.

Right thinking leads to right motives and right actions.

Ritual without reality is meaningless.

Satan never quits. The cosmic system never rests.

Satan's system is human good and evil.

Scripture gives you the ability to see the unknown.

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Seize opportunities to present the gospel.

Soul strength is more important than physical strength.

Spiritual maturity is a process; it isn't an end state.

Spiritual maturity is relative; it's based on the filling of the Holy Spirit and the content of God's Word in your soul.

Spiritual skills are acquired, not inherited.

Spiritual skills must precede production skills.

Spirituality is a position, an absolute. You are either filled with the Holy Spirit or under control of your sin nature.

Stay off the My Way Highway.

Stay out of Christian activism.

Stick with the truth of God's Word; don't be recruited by the cosmic system.

Store up God's Word in your soul and you will be rich.

Tap into the prevailing power of persistent prayer.

Testing gives you data to assess your spiritual condition.

Testing is a means to get you where you need to be.

Testing is designed to build spiritual muscle.

Testing often comes in your area of weakness.

The Bible is not a novel; it is a textbook. God designed it to be taught accurately by a qualified pastor.

The choices you make determine the life you lead.



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The Christian life demands mechanics called the protocol plan of God; a right thing must be done in a right way.

The Christian way of life is not activity or productivity; it is conductivity transmitting God's grace to others.

The Fantastic Four (Proverbs 2:10-11):  
Wisdom ... Knowledge ... Discretion ... Understanding.

The greatest virtues in life are personal love for God and impersonal love for others.

The Holy Spirit is your escort through time to eternity.

The mind games of aging are won in the soul.

The public lie is to tell it often enough and loud enough and people will believe it.

The rate of learning must exceed the rate of forgetting.

The spiritual life is a process.

The spiritual must take precedence over the physical.

The Supreme Court of Heaven is open 24/7. Let God handle the justice. He has all the facts.

The will of God will never lead you to where the grace of God can't protect you.

The Word of God is a mirror; use it to assess your life.

There is no adversity too great for the plan of God.

There is no reason for a Christian to ever be unhappy.

There is no shortcut to learning the Word of God.

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There is real danger in experimenting with things the world offers.

Think grace and demonstrate grace.

Three checkpoints for knowing the directive will of God: Where does God want me to be? What does God want me to think? What does God want me to do?

Time doesn't shout, it just runs out, sooner than you think.

Time is a gift from God.

Today we have too many preacher-performers and not enough pastor-teachers.

Treat people based on your character, not theirs.

Unhappy people take their unhappiness with them wherever they go.

Use Scripture; it worked for the Lord Jesus Christ, it will work for you.

Wait on God's timing; don't be impetuous.

What God thinks of you is what counts, not the opinions of others.

What impresses people is what's in your soul.

When treated unfairly, do you respond with humility or react with arrogance?

When you don't have enough on the inside to offset the pressures from the outside, you will be crushed.

Where do you get your direction in life - from the Word of God or from your friends?

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Winners execute. Losers emote.

WOJs (weird obnoxious jerks): respond to them with an attitude of impersonal love.

Worry is assuming unassigned responsibilities.

Worship the Giver, not the gifts.

You are a divinely appointed spiritual influencer.

You are in full time Christian service. Be a quiet spiritual professional.

You are never alone; God is with you, always.

You are never too old to stop learning God's Word.

You are the product of your decisions, not your circumstances.

You are what you think, not what you think you are.

You can't apply what you don't know.

You can't grow if you don't know.

You can't grow to spiritual maturity on your own.

You can't know the will of God apart from knowing the Word of God.

You don't need to tell God your problems, He knows.  
Thank Him for the solutions.

You have total control over the development of your soul.

You trust God with your life, trust Him with the details.

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Your body may be racked by time but your soul is timeless.

Your home is in heaven; you are just a sojourner here.

Your soul manifests the real you.

Your soul never grows old.

Your spiritual gift is given by God to serve Him; your talent is different.

Your spiritual life is lived in the mentality of your soul.

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