

NAVIGATING THROUGH LIFE
#SermonNavigatingLife
Growing Through Goal Setting - Part 4
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Psalm 119:19 I am but a pilgrim here on earth: how I need a map—your commands are my chart and guide. (LB)

Directions From The Life Of Joseph

1. WHEN DELAYED SURRENDER YOUR FUTURE TO GOD

Galatians 4:4 But when the right time came, God sent his Son... (NLT)

Mark 1:15 At last the time has come! (NLT)

2. WHEN DETOURED STAY WITH GOD'S TIMING

Psalm 37:7-8 Be patient and wait for the LORD to act... ⁸ Don't give in to worry or anger; it only leads to trouble. (TEV)

Two Errors We Often Make

- We RUSH AHEAD of God's timing
- We LAG BEHIND God's timing

Two Things Joseph Did Right

- He stayed FAITHFUL
- He did WHAT HE COULD

Psalm 31:14-15a But I trusted in, relied on, and was confident in You, O Lord; I said, You are my God. ¹⁵ My times are in Your hands... (AMP)

3. WHEN DISAPPOINTED SEE GOD WORKING IN YOU

Philippians 2:13 God is at work within you, helping you want to obey him, and then helping you do what he wants. (LB)

How God Uses Disappointing Times

- To HEAL

Genesis 50:20 Don't you see, you planned evil against me but God used those same plans for my good... (MSG)

- To GROW

James 1:3-4 ...when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow.⁴
So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing. (NLT)

Philippians 1:6 I am sure that God who began the good work within you will keep right on helping you grow in his grace until his task within you is finally finished on that day when Jesus Christ returns. (LB)

Psalms 34:19 The righteous person faces many troubles, but the LORD comes to the rescue each time. (NLT)