

### MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS:

- ✓ I will memorize **Revelation 3:20 (NIV)**
- ✓ I will join the New Life church family
- ✓ I will accept Christ for the first time today
- ✓ I will sign up for the next baptism

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# STRONGER THAN THE *Struggle*

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### MEMORY VERSE:

*But you belong to God, my dear children.  
 You have already won a victory over those people,  
 because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the  
 spirit who lives in the world.*

**1 John 4:4 (NLT)**

I. \_\_\_\_\_ **THAT YOU SURVIVED WHAT SHOULD HAVE BROKEN YOU.**

*"We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed, but not driven to despair. We are hunted down, but never abandoned by God. We get knocked down, but we are not destroyed." 2 Corinthians 4:8-9 (NLT)*

**Survival is not luck...it is the sustaining \_\_\_\_\_ of God.**

### Action Steps:

- Tell the Lord, " \_\_\_\_\_ for keeping me."
- Write down three things God brought you through.
- Take a moment this week to reflect on what should

## II. \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR STRUGGLE AS GOD'S STRENGTH TRAINING.

*As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered. No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us."*

**Romans 8:36–37 (NIV)**

- The struggle reveals our \_\_\_\_\_.
- The struggle reveals God's \_\_\_\_\_ working in your weakness.

### Action Steps:

- Ask yourself, "What has this season \_\_\_\_\_ me?"
- Instead of only asking God to remove the struggle, ask Him to reveal the lesson.
- Thank God for the ways you are stronger now than you were a year ago.

## III. \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR TESTIMONY BECAUSE YOUR STORY HAS POWER.

*"As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. Jesus did not let him, but said, Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you."*

**Mark 5:18–19 (NIV)**

*"So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God."* **2 Timothy 1:8 (NIV)**

### Action Steps:

- Share \_\_\_\_\_ testimony this week with a family member, friend, or small group.
- Write down a short version of your story: "What I was facing, what God did, and where I am now."
- Do not let shame muzzle what \_\_\_\_\_ has redeemed. Let us record it!

## IV. \_\_\_\_\_ TO LET YOUR CURRENT PAIN DEFINE YOUR FINAL OUTCOME.

*"That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day. For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever."* **2 Corinthians 4:16–18 (NLT)**

### Action Steps:

- Stop speaking final words over temporary \_\_\_\_\_.
- Replace "This is over" with "God is still working."
- Meditate this week on what is eternal rather than only what is immediate.

## V. \_\_\_\_\_ IN PRAISE BECAUSE VICTORY BELONGS TO GOD.

*"Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the Lord delivers him out of them all."* **Psalms 34:19 (NKJV)**

*"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy."* **Psalms 107:2 (NKJV)**

**IF GOD HAS HELPED YOU, \_\_\_\_\_ !**