

Pastor's Weekly Devotional – January 10th, 2019

“Are You A Blessed Survivor?”

The Christian is not dehumanized because of his or her faith in God. “The rain falls on the just and the unjust alike,” the Bible says. However, those who handle life’s difficulties most effectively have certain traits which make them stand apart. Here are a few of the characteristics they possess:

- Blessed Survivors put the past behind them. They don’t rehearse the bad past. They follow the scriptural admonition: “forgetting those things behind us we press forward...” writes Apostle Paul.
- Blessed Survivors learn from others who have gone through difficult times in life. For the Christian, Jesus is seen as the Pioneer and Example of our faith since He understands what human pain is all about.
- Blessed Survivors learn to forgive. The grace which they receive from God, they share that grace with others who have hurt them.
- Blessed Survivors are flexible, resilient and adaptable. They grow through Change. The more rigid a person is, the less hopeful his life will be. Even Nature itself changes with the seasons.
- Blessed Survivors don’t give up. Courage and determination are their bywords. The scripture says: “What can separate from the love of God...” Absolutely nothing! Perseverance. Patience. Hope. These are the traits of what I call a Blessed Survivor possesses.

Have a blessed week!
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