

# It's Normal

## IT'S NOT MY FAULT!

**How you \_\_\_\_\_ determines a lot about how you \_\_\_\_\_.**

### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Failure

John 16:33 *In this world you will have trouble.*

\_\_\_\_\_ it!

### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ From it

Examine what failure \_\_\_\_\_ to you.

Welcome \_\_\_\_\_.

Proverbs 19:20 (ESV) *Listen to advice and accept instruction, that you may gain wisdom in the future.*

Proverbs 15:31-32 (ESV) *The ear that listens to life-giving reproof will dwell among the wise. 32 Whoever ignores instruction despises himself, but he who listens to reproof gains intelligence.*

Proverbs 12:1 (ESV) *Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid.*

### 3. Look at Your \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ truth, grace, and forgiveness.

Matthew 5:24 *Leave your sacrifice there at the altar. Go and be reconciled to that person. Then come and offer your sacrifice to God.*

## 4. \_\_\_\_\_ Again

Proverbs 24:16 *Though the righteous fall seven times, they rise again, but the wicked stumble when calamity strikes.*

\_\_\_\_\_ after failure is a huge key to success.

## 5. Have the \_\_\_\_\_

Romans 8:28 *And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.*

Isaiah 61:1-3 *He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, 3 and provide for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor.*

## 6. Learn That You Can \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:2-4 *Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, 3 because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. 4 Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.*

When our goal is relief from short-term \_\_\_\_\_ we lose long-term \_\_\_\_\_.

### APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. What does failure mean to me/what are my normal \_\_\_\_\_?

2. What's my \_\_\_\_\_ for a current failure or one I'm facing? Which one of these steps do I need take so I can go through it well?