



## **#014: Four Struggles Of The Church Today**

### **Day 1: The Authority of God's Word**

#### **Psalm 119:89-96**

In a world of shifting values and changing opinions, God's Word stands firm as our ultimate authority. Today's passage reminds us that God's Word is eternal and unchanging. As we navigate life's challenges, let's anchor ourselves in Scripture, trusting it as our guide for truth and wisdom.

Reflect on areas where you might be tempted to compromise biblical truth for cultural acceptance. How can you reaffirm your commitment to God's Word as your final authority today?

### **Day 2: Finding Your Unique Path in Faith**

#### **1 Corinthians 12:4-11**

God has created each of us uniquely, with different gifts and ways of connecting with Him. Just as the early church had diverse roles and gifts, we too are called to serve in ways that align with how God has wired us. Consider your own spiritual journey - what practices or methods of studying Scripture resonate most with you?

Don't be discouraged if what works for others doesn't work for you. Instead, seek God earnestly, trusting that He will reveal the path that's right for you. How can you embrace your unique spiritual gifts and use them to serve others today?

## **Day 3: Community in Christ**

### **Hebrews 10:24-25**

The Christian walk was never meant to be solitary. Today's passage emphasizes the importance of gathering together, encouraging one another, and spurring each other on in faith. In our individualistic culture, it's easy to isolate ourselves, especially when facing doubts or struggles. But God designed us for community.

Reflect on your own church involvement - are you actively participating in a small group or ministry? If not, what steps can you take to connect more deeply with fellow believers? Remember, it's often through the support and accountability of others that we grow most in our faith.

## **Day 4: Grace in Spiritual Growth**

### **Philippians 1:6**

The journey of faith is a process, not a destination. Today's verse reminds us that God, who began a good work in us, will carry it to completion. This truth offers both comfort and challenge. We can rest in God's grace, knowing that our spiritual growth isn't solely dependent on our own efforts. Yet, we're also called to actively participate in this growth.

When you face setbacks or periods of spiritual dryness, remember that God is still at work. How can you cooperate with God's transforming work in your life today, while also extending grace to yourself in the process?

## **Equipping the Saints**

### **Ephesians 4:11-16**

As members of Christ's body, we're all called to ministry. Today's passage speaks about equipping the saints for the work of service. This isn't just the job of pastors or church leaders - it's a responsibility we all share. Consider your own role in the body of Christ. How are you using your gifts to build up others in faith?

At the same time, reflect on areas where you need equipping. Are there biblical truths or practical skills you need to develop to serve more effectively? Commit to both learning and teaching, knowing that as we build each other up, we all grow towards maturity in Christ.