

- Seasons of pain are difficult to walk through and difficult to talk about. If you're able, share about a season of pain that you walked through. How did you see God work? How was your faith affected? What was the result on the other side of the season?
- Imagine a "god" you could control. What would you like or dislike about him?
- Read **2 Corinthians 12:6-10**.
How does the Apostle Paul's call to delight in weakness challenge what you believe and have assumed about life circumstances?
- Reflect on a time when God said "no" to your prayers to relieve the season of pain. Did it cause you to question his existence? When God said "no" to you, did you submit to his will or struggle to deal with the situation in your own strength? What was the result of your choice?
- What does the fact that God didn't remove Paul's "thorn," but chose to use Paul's weakness to demonstrate his own power tell you about God's priorities?
- How could the story of Paul's "thorn" strengthen your faith when God seems to be saying "no" to your request?
- While we have permission to ask God to remove our pain, God has the right to say "no" to our requests. What do you do when God chooses to showcase his power on the stage of your weakness?

FROM THE WORD TO MY LIFE

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ~ 2 Corinthians 12:9

CURRENT SERIES

RECALCULATING
TRUSTING GOD WHEN IT'S NOT EASY TO TRUST GOD

NEW TO NORTHAMPTON

We're glad you're here! Take a moment to fill-out a Connection Card and let us know more about you! If you have children or teens, we have great, safe options Children's & Student Ministry! Complete info can be found at: www.NBchurchCF.org

WORSHIP ORDER

CALL TO WORSHIP

CHILD OF LOVE

WELCOME

CHAIN BREAKER

OFFERING / SCRIPTURE

LIVING HOPE

MESSAGE

I AM LOVED

SEND-OFF & PRAYER

MESSAGE SERIES

TODAY'S MESSAGE:
Recalculating
Trusting God in the Pain

NEXT WEEK:
Recalculating
Getting Off-Course

CLASSES & LIFE GROUPS

Sunday 9:30am

Berean Class
Room 203

Truth & Testimony
Room 202

Alternative Adult Elective
Overflow Room

Thursday 7:00pm

Men's Bible Study

Various Times & Days

LIFE Groups

Real-Life Discipleship

More info: nbchurchcf.org

NEXT STEPS

More info coming soon!

WHO WE ARE

Northampton exists to help all people love God, love people and make disciples.

GET CONNECTED

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UPCOMING AT NORTHAMPTON

WELCOME TO NORTHAMPTON!

We're glad you've decided to join us online or in-person! We want you to know that you are welcome here! Please take the time to fill out our online Connection Card and download the Church Center App to stay connected! Thanks for joining in!

LIFE GROUPS

A great next-step for you and your family is to get connected into a LIFE Group! LGs are safe spaces to get out of rows (on Sunday mornings) and get into circles (during the week) and discuss life and the Bible, pray for each other and care for one another! Check out the Church Center app for available groups and get connected today!

STUDENT LIFE CAMP - WORK DAY (JUNE 26 - 9:00am-3:00pm)

If you have needs around your home that the REFUGE students can help with (yard work, clean up, etc.) please send an email to office@nbchurchcf.org or call the church office and let them know!

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

+ **CAFE HELP** - if you're able to help coordinate the coffee and cookies on a regular basis on Sunday mornings (once/month), please sign-up in the app!

+ **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** - There is an on-going need for people who feel gifted and called to work with children. From the baby room to teaching in the elementary classes, you'd be welcome to join in! All supplies provided. You must pass a background check in order to be able to work with children. Let Kellie Sturm, our Children's Ministry Director, know if you're interested!

+ **FIRST IMPRESSIONS** - We are looking for smiling faces to be a part of the team that can help set the tone for guest and regulars at Northampton! If you'd like more information, email firstimpressions@nbchurchcf.org

+ **MEDIA & TECH** - If you have skills in video editing, sound, computers, etc. your help is needed! Sign up in the Church Center App! Training is available.



When you are faced with a season of pain, know and believe that God doesn't _____ pain

Just because God doesn't do _____ you think He should do, _____ you think He should do it doesn't mean He doesn't exist.

Paul's Seasons of Pain

Acts 9 | 2 Corinthians 11:24-28; 12:7-10

When you're in a season of pain...

1. You can ask God to _____
2. God may say _____
3. Trust that God will leverage it for your _____ and for His _____
4. As you walk in _____, you will experience God's _____ in your pain.