

DOMINANT FORCE #5

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“We don’t want you in the dark, friends, about how hard it was when all this came down on us in Asia province. It was so bad we didn’t think we were going to make it. We felt like we’d been sent to death row, that it was all over for us. As it turned out, it was the best thing that could have happened. Instead of trusting in our own strength or wits to get out of it, we were forced to trust God totally—not a bad idea since he’s the God who raises the dead! And he did it, rescued us from certain doom. And he’ll do it again, rescuing us as many times as we need rescuing.” 1 Corinthians 1:8-10 MSG

EARTH WILL _____.

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Jesus answered them, “Do you finally believe? In fact, you’re about to make a run for it—saving your own skins and abandoning me. But I’m not abandoned. The Father is with me. I’ve told you all this so that trusting me, you will be unshakable and assured, deeply at peace. In this godless world you will continue to experience difficulties. But take heart! I’ve conquered the world.” John 16:31-33 MSG

WHEN GOD IS THE DOMINANT FORCE IN YOUR LIFE ...

GOD’S WITH ME AND GOD’S GOT ME: REJECT THE LIES NOW!

“Are not two sparrows sold for a cent? And yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows.”

Matthew 10:29-31 NASB

“He was a killer from the very start. He couldn’t stand the truth because there wasn’t a shred of truth in him. When the Liar speaks, he makes it up out of his lying nature and fills the world with lie.” John 8:43-44 MSG

DEVIL SUGGESTS _____.

“We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death.”

2 Corinthians 1:8-9 NIV

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” Mark 15:34 NIV

GOD SAYS: _____.

“Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight.” Hebrews 4:13

DEVIL SUGGESTS _____.

“Each heart knows its own bitterness, and no one else can share its joy.” Prov. 14:10

GOD SAYS: _____.

“You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.” Psalm 139:2-4 NIV

DEVIL SUGGESTS _____.

“When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner.” Luke 7:39 NIV

But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, “Lord, don’t you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!” Luke 10:40 NIV

GOD SAYS: _____.

But Zion [your name] said, “The LORD has forsaken me, the Lord has forgotten me.” “Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands,” Isaiah 49:14-16 NIV

IN MY DARKEST HOURS, ON MY HARDEST DAYS ...GOD SAYS

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“Don’t be afraid, I’ve redeemed you. I’ve called your name. You’re mine. When you’re in over your head, I’ll be there with you. When you’re in rough waters, you will not go down. When you’re between a rock and a hard place, it won’t be a dead end—because I am GOD, your personal God, the Holy of Israel, your Savior. I paid a huge price for you: all of Egypt, with rich Cush and Seba thrown in! That’s how much you mean to me! That’s how much I love you! I’d sell off the whole world to get you back, trade the creation just for you.” Isaiah 43:2-4 MSG

FOR DISCUSSION

CAN YOU REMEMBER A TIME IN YOUR LIFE WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES OR AN EVENT IN YOUR LIFE TESTED YOUR FAITH?

WHY DOES THE DEVIL LOVE IT WHEN WE TRUST OUR FEELINGS INSTEAD OF WHAT GOD HAS SAID OR PROMISED?

HOW DOES KNOWING THAT GOD SEES, KNOWS, AND APPRECIATES YOU PERSONALLY IMPACT HOW WE MANAGE LIFE?

HOW DOES JESUS – HIS LIFE, HIS DEATH, AND HIS RESURRECTION – SERVE AS AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO US WHO BELIEVE IN HIM?

**HOW SHOULD GOD'S POWER TO REDEEM ANYTHING FOR GOOD IMPACT OUR THINKING,
OUR LIVING, AND KEEP HIM #1?**