

WEEK 3 | DEVOTIONAL FAIL FORWARD

REFLECT

1. Name an idea from the message that caught your attention. Why?

Pastor Dan invited us to consider these points:

- 2. Learning from Past Mistakes | "I Did Not Know What I Know Now"
 - Reflect | God uses our mistakes to teach us, humble us and help us rely on Him more fully.
 - Read | Proverbs 24:16.
 - Share | How has a past mistake taught you something valuable?
- 3. Growing in Character | "I Had Talent but Not the Temper or Timber."
 - Reflect | God refines our character through challenges and setbacks, helping us develop resilience and maturity.
 - Read | James 1:2-4.
 - Share | Do you consider struggles as opportunities for great joy and opportunity to grow? What does it take to shift one's mind and heart set to have that perspective? According to this passage what happens to us if we try to rush through our struggles?
- 4. Encouragement from Others | "We Need People Who Believe in Us"
 - Reflect | God often uses others to encourage us and help us see our potential, even when we don't see it ourselves.
 - Read | **Proverbs 27:17**.
 - Share | Who has encouraged you during challenging times? How did their support impact you? Who has helped you see your potential? Who are you helping to see theirs?

- 5. Grace and Trust from Leadership | "The Board and Members Stuck with Me"
 - Reflect | God's work in us is ongoing, and He places people around us to encourage and support our growth.
 - Read | Philippians 1:6.
 - Share | How does knowing that Jesus intends to work in you, stick with you and shape you until you see Him face to face? What "good work" has God been doing in your life over the past three months?
- 6. Supporting Leaders in their Growth |"Help Your Pastor Become Great for God"
 - Reflect | Our pastors and church leaders need support, encouragement, and grace to grow and follow God's call and leading.
 - Read | 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13.
 - Share | How can you support the pastors and leaders of Christ Church?

RESPOND

Spend some time this week praying for those God has used in your life to support, encourage or teach you. Send them a note letting them know how much they are appreciated by you and how you have prayed for them.

RESOURCE

Pick up a copy of *Leadership Essentials*, by Greg Ogden and Dan Meyer. We regularly have this title in the Christ Church bookstore.

