

Sermon Outline
March 28, 2010

"Growing Through the Seasons of Life"

Hebrews 7-9

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?

Jesus learned obedience through suffering. He grew through the seasons of life, and so can we. Hebrews 5:7-9

Grow in Godliness and Trust

"He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters." Matthew 12:30

Successes in this life are made by those individuals who really care.

Elijah went before the Hebrews and asked, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him, but if Baal is God, follow him." I Kings 18:21

Right decisions need to be made.

"Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad." Matthew 12:33

Through the Seasons of Life We Must Trust to Overcome

We must develop a strong faith in God's promises. Jesus hit this issue head-on. Matthew: 6:25

A Strong Faith Can Deliver Us From the Fear of Want

David said, "I was young and now I'm old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread." Psalm 37:25

Growing Through the Seasons of Life By Giving Thanks

You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body. I Corinthians 6:19 & 20

There is a question which no one can answer. Hebrews 2:3

Our body becomes God's temple. I Corinthians 3:16

The Jews' Forty Weary Years

I Corinthians 10:30-33

The Jews grew weary of eating manna for forty years. Exodus 16:35

Manna was fixed in various ways. The people hated this manna. Numbers 11:8, 13

God Does Not Like Excuses

Jesus told the parable of the great banquet. "Jesus replied, "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready', but they alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I've just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me. Another said, 'I've just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me'. Still, another said, 'I just got married so I can't come.' " Luke 14:16-20

Thankfulness has little to do with people's circumstances. We need to overcome being nominal Christians.

"Enter through the narrow gate for wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction. Many enter through it, but small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it." Matthew 7:13 & 14

Growing Through the Seasons of Life Involved for Jesus

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the Highest!! Matthew 21:8-9

Growing Through the Seasons of Life With a Memorial to the Unknown Soldier