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## ARE YOU DISAPPOINTED?

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I have heard it said that 'disappointments are God's appointments.' We all have faced disappointments in one form or another. Some have faced major and others minor disappointments in life. Major and minor are relative based on the context and timing of the disappointments in one's life. For example, if a job loss occurs when you are single it doesn't have a major impact. But the same when you have a family, and the responsibility that comes with it, is not minor. As a follower of the Lord Jesus how do you face such disappointments and navigate life when your belief is that the Lord is on the throne. The following three thoughts can help us navigate life's disappointing terrain with assurance.

### **God's ways are incomprehensible –**

Isaiah 55:8-9, 8 “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord. 9 “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.” We are reminded that the Lord’s thoughts and ways are much different and better than ours. This can be our comfort.

### **God knows more about me than I know –**

Psalm 139:1-6, “ 1 You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. 4 Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely. 5 You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.” God’s thoughts towards us are based on His intimate knowledge about us and therefore we can confidently trust in His ways.

### **God's teaching us to trust in the dark –**

Isaiah 50:10, “ 10 Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the word of his servant? Let the one who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the Lord and rely on their God.” Trust is the most valuable criteria in all relationships. One thing the Lord requires all His followers to do is to trust Him with all our heart. We easily quote Proverbs 3:5-6 – “Trust in the Lord with all your heart .....” but is it easy? In the different phases of life, the Lord will test to see if we truly trust in Him alone to know that He always works for our best.

Dear TGC family, Let us face our disappointments knowing that our Heavenly Father is working according to His appointments.

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## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Kezia Edward	April 01
Daniel Elvis	April 01
Anthony Rani	April 02
Enoch Anbu	April 03
Anu Jefferson	April 03
Praveen Augustus	April 05
Rujul Sivakumar	April 05
Nikhil Santhosh	April 09
Evangelin Mercy Daniel	April 10
Kavitha Nirmal	April 12
Shajin Pathrose	April 13
Arul Shalom Aruliah	April 14
Aravinchand Chandra Theodore	April 16
Albert S Robertcecil	April 17
Kingsley Prince	April 19
Aaron Bobby Joel Nishbert	April 20
Ethan Solomon	April 21
Brigilin Stanley	April 21
Merlin David	April 21
Joshua Devasagayaraj	April 23
Sarah Amirtharaj	April 24
Sheeja Shalom	April 24
Sahana Premkumar	April 26
Jayden David	April 26
Samuel Masikodi	April 27
Elizabeth Ravichandran	April 28
Preethi Santhosh	April 28
Aiden Albert	April 29

## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Nirmal & Kavitha Nirmal
April 16
Brigilin Stanley & Minu Brigilin
April 22
Joe Patrick & Anitha Joe
April 24
Selvin David & Jacquelin David
April 27
Praveen Augustus & Golda Praveen
April 30

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday Service**  
Every Sunday @ 5:00 PM

**Fasting Prayer**  
April 13th from 11:00 AM to  
2:00 PM