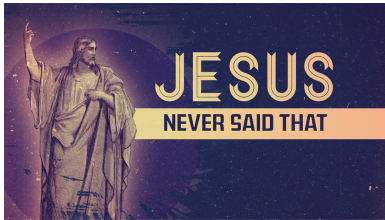


# MARINERS CHURCH



## **“You Will Never Have a Bad Day”**

**September 21-22, 2019**

*“The very words I speak to you are spirit and life.” -Jesus, John 6:63*

*I tell you the truth, you will weep and mourn over what is going to happen to me, but the world will rejoice. You will grieve, but your grief will suddenly turn to wonderful joy. -Jesus, John 16:20 (NLT)*

*It will be like a woman suffering the pains of labor. When her child is born, her anguish gives way to joy because she has brought a new baby into the world. -Jesus, John 16:21 (NLT)*

*So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again; then you will rejoice, and no one can rob you of that joy. -Jesus, John 16:22 (NLT)*

*I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.” -Jesus, John 16:33 (NLT)*

## **Trouble and hardship prove your faith**

Definition of ‘prove’

### **1. It verifies a real trust in God.**

*So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while. These trials will show that your faith is genuine. 1 Peter 1:6-7 (NLT)*

*I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.” -Jesus, John 16:33 (NLT)*

## **Trials and troubles prepare you for purpose.**

Definition of ‘prove’

### **2. It strengthens our faith.**



*Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing. James 1:2-4 (NLT)*

***The good news is not that Jesus delivers you from your pain, the good news is that Jesus delivers you from your sins, the good news is that his grace is here, that he is real, and he is working in all things. -Craig Groeschel***

*Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.” -Jesus, John 16:33 (NLT)*

*If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. 1 John 1:8*

### **Talk it Over with your LifeGroup**

Read John 16 together

Make a side by side list of attributes in the world contrasting what we have in Jesus.

What are some reasons God might have for not shielding us from all pain and suffering?

What are some benefits of a faith that's been tested?

What are some ways you can start embracing trials as opportunities to strengthen your faith?

How can we help other people find peace in the midst of pain?

Reach out to others who are facing struggles and ask how you can encourage them this week.