## **Things God Never Said**

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# THINGS GOD NEVER SAID

"God will never give you more than you can handle"

Clearing up what God did say...

No **temptation** has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And **God is faithful**; **He** will not let you **be tempted** beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, **He** will also provide a way out so that you can endure it. **1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)** 

He took Peter, James, and John with him, and he became deeply troubled and distressed. He told them, "My soul is crushed with grief to the point of death..." Mark 14:33-34 (NLT)

### Why God allows me to face more than I can handle...

We think you ought to know, dear brothers and sisters, about the trouble we went through in the province of Asia. We were crushed and overwhelmed beyond **our ability to endure**, and we thought we would never live through it. In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, **we stopped relying on ourselves** and learned to **rely only on God**, who raises the dead. And He did rescue us from mortal danger, and He will rescue us again. We have placed our confidence in Him, and He will continue to rescue us. And you are helping us by praying for us. Then many people will give thanks because God has graciously answered so many prayers for our safety. **2 Corinthians 1:8-11 (NLT)** 

#### 1. To encourage me to draw near to, remain in, and rely on <u>His</u> presence.

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**Jonah...** "In my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me. From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help, and you listened to my cry..."When my life was ebbing away, **I remembered** you, Lord,... **Jonah 2:2 &7 (NIV)** 

#### 2. To get me to experience, rely upon, and live by His power.

And He did rescue us from mortal danger, and He will rescue us again. We have placed our confidence in Him, and He will continue to rescue us. vs 10

God said..., "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. **2 Corinthians 2:9 (NIV)** 

#### 3. To use my life for His plans.

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**Going deeper on your own:** Pastor Jay made a confession, he said "Honestly, I experience God more intimately when I am in the valley, rather than on the mountaintop". Can you relate to that statement? Why do you think that is true? Have you ever been in a situation where you were totally over your head? What did you do? How did that work out? Read 2 Corinthians 2:8-10, follow up with Matthew 11:28-30. What is the promise that Jesus makes? What is our role in it? When was His grace sufficient in your life? When was your weakness made strong by Him? Write Pastor at Jay@centerpointchurch.com and tell him your story.