

# ENTERING A SEASON OF UNCERTAINTY BUT TRUSTING GOD

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As we quickly approach the beginning of another year, there is so much that lie ahead of us that is unknown and uncertain. However, we as believers are called to move forward into this new season with faith, and hope that everything will turn out, not just ok, but for our good. How do we prepare or get ready for this coming season? Some of us have questions and doubt as a result of the difficulties we faced or are facing in this current season. So the thoughts of an even more challenging season can place additional emotional strain on an already strained vessel. We must first ask ourselves an especially important question, why is this current season so challenging? Is it because of my personal alignment with God, or is it just the season God has planned for me at this stage of my journey, that I might continue to grow, and mature in my relationship with Him? To help prepare for the coming season, and to help survive, and prosper in our current season, we must address this question and if there are alignment issues or concerns we must address them head on! Being out of alignment with God simply means that we are living in a way that is contrary to the will of God. For example, the Word of God clearly tells us not to live of life of fornication, so if we live in fornication, and are having a difficult season maybe it is because of our disobedience to God's rules. The Word of God informs us and demands that we as believers do not act or live like the world, as such we can not conform to the worldly standards, regardless of societies acceptance of these ungodly standards or activities. Most believers know what is right in the eyesight of God, and what is not, so when we ignore God's direction it is clearly out of self will, and disobedience over surrender and obedience. It is as simple as that!

- 1Thessalonians 4:3-8
- Romans 12:1-2
- Ephesians 5:17

If we determine that we are in fact out of alignment with God's righteous standards, then what should we do to get ourselves back into proper alignment with God! The Word of God tells us that we should immediately after our hearts have been convicted of our iniquity and sin, that we should seek God's forgiveness for our act of disobedience. The bible tells us that God will be faithful in forgiving us if we come to him with a remorseful and sincere heart, one ready for repentance.

- 1John 1:9
- Acts 3:19
- Psalm 51

If our walk with God during this current season has been one of obedience and steadfastness in His Word, than all we have to do is carry this same attitude, mindset, and discipline into the new season. The same God that is with us now will be guiding and navigating us through the challenges of this upcoming season as well. We have been kept by the grace and mercy of God, which are renewed every morning. However, if we discovered that we were in fact out of alignment with God, then after having reconciled ourselves back to God for our acts of disobedience, we can now prepare ourselves for the challenges of the upcoming season. Our preparation must include trusting God unconditional, surrendering our will, and seeking His will for our lives, while living a life of sanctification from the defilement of this present world.

- James 4:7 -10
- Hebrews 4:16
- 1Peter 5:7
- Proverbs 23:26
- Romans 8:28