

# Being Defeated

#### Psalms 73

26My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

#### Proverbs 24

15Do not lurk like a thief near the house of the righteous, do not plunder their dwelling place;

16for though the righteous fall seven times, they rise again, but the wicked stumble when calamity strikes.

#### Psalms 32

81 will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you. 9Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you. 10Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the one who trusts in him.

#### Proverbs 3

5Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6in all your ways **submit** to him, and he will make your paths straight. 7Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. 8This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.

#### James 1

5If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. 6But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.

#### 2 Corinthians 5

7For we live by faith, not by sight. 8We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. 9So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.

### Ephesians 5

8For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light 9(for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) 10and find out what pleases the Lord. 11Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.

## Weekly Devotional

#### Romans 12

1Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 2Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.