



**CPFC Message Notes- 06/06/- 06/07/20**  
**Unshakeable Faith -2**

*They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do. But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. They will be condemned at the time of judgment. Sinners will have no place among the godly. For the Lord watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction. Psalm 1:3-6*

*"Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens... so that what cannot be shaken may remain. - Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe." Hebrews 12:26b-28*

1. God uses crisis to prove He is **always with us.**

*Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there. Now listen to these next words - "The Lord was with Joseph- When his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord gave him success in everything he did, Joseph found favor in his eyes and became his attendant. Potiphar put (Joseph) him in charge of his household and he entrusted to his care everything he owned. - Genesis 39:1-3*

*Now Joseph was well-built and handsome, and after a while his master's wife took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with me!" And though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or even be with her. One day he went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the household servants was inside. She caught him by his cloak and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house. When she saw that he had left his cloak in her hand and had run out of the house, she called her household servants. "Look," she said to them, "this Hebrew came in here to sleep with me, but I screamed. When he heard me scream for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house." When his master heard the story his wife told him, he burned with anger. Joseph's master took him and put him in prison. Genesis 39:7-20 (excerpts)*

2. God uses crisis to develop **Christ-like character.**

*"We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed,*

*but not driven to despair. We get knocked down, but we are not destroyed. Through suffering, our bodies continue to share in the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus may also be seen in our bodies.”*

*“That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day. For our present troubles are small and won’t last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So, we don’t look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.” 2 Corinthians 4:8&9-16-18*

*“But while Joseph was there in the prison, the Lord was with him; he showed him kindness and granted him favor in the eyes of the prison warden. So, the warden put Joseph in charge of all those held in the prison, and he paid no attention to anything under Joseph’s care, because the Lord was with Joseph gave him success in whatever he did.” Genesis 39:20-23*

3. God uses crisis to prepare us for His **Divine Purposes**.

*We are here by Divine appointment and God is preparing us for His Divine Purpose.*

*Genesis 40 - The Prisoner’s Dreams*

*Genesis 41- Pharaoh’s Dream*

*Genesis 41:37-57- Joseph’s Rise to Power*

*Genesis 42-50- Joseph Saves Many*

*“You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.” Genesis 50:20*

4. God uses crisis to help us gain an **eternal perspective**.

*“Who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross despising the shame and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” Hebrews 12:2b*

*“Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.” Hebrews 12:2*