



PRINCIPALITIES OF DARKNESS PUSHING THROUGH THE FOG - DAY 2

Today we are going to talk about how to *push through* when it seems like you've pushed and tested all your limits but are still in the same scenario that you started with. Perhaps you feel like you're living in a fog. You wake up and do things in the same routine *every single day*. You say your prayers and read your Bible every night; your mind is still somehow consumed with all the worry and fear. Perhaps you are not in this position. If so, praise Yahweh. If it is, please keep reading. Picture an ocean that spreads along the earth for miles and miles. It's a beautiful day, and the sun is glistening on the waters. It's simply paradise. Then, as you travel further into the deep, rough, waters, a faint fog appears and it begins to storm the further you travel into it. What do you do in the midst of that storm? You are in the middle of the sea. There is no sight of land for miles. You can't turn around because the current is too strong. So what must you do? You have three options: simply let the ocean take you where it goes, turn back against the current (nearly impossible!), or continue to go forward. *I would hope you would continue to go further.* Not to get so caught up in the storm that you give up and let it take you under, but because you know what comes *after* the storm.



It is so easy to get caught up in the “fog” of life. It’s easy to let your mind run on and on about the worst possibilities and how you are going to get through them! Maybe you say to yourself, “*I didn’t ask for this! Why me, why my family?*” Instead, think of it this way. When the storms do come, **PUSH THROUGH**. How can you push through when you are trying to be strong for your whole family, and trying to not collapse in the process? How can you push through when you can’t see the rainbow ahead of the storm? Well, you can’t. You simply can’t do it on your own.

“Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with My righteous right hand.”

I don’t know about you, but that sounds like a promise to me! We need to hold on to God’s promises, even when we enter into the fog, knowing that the storm is coming. Brace those storms knowing that you aren’t fighting through them alone! Even when it may seem like you are the only one fighting, remember that you are not. ***Your God is always fighting for you and on your behalf.*** You have to stay strong. Be the one that breaks through the darkness. God **WILL** come through if you trust Him and stay strong through it all. The rainbow and clear skies will start to come through amidst the darkness, and you will slowly but surely be able to see again. Just by being able to see the clearing you are releasing the enemy from having further hold you. Because you trusted your Father through the whole process, you have now entered the stage of healing and freedom. Just remember that you **can** do all things through Christ who strengthens you (Phil. 4:13), and don’t for a second think that you have to do it alone. The darkness is a powerful atmosphere, but the light is even more empowering trials.

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