

## Equipped to serve the Lord and His people

*And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: 2 Corinthians 9:8*

## Equipped to help those in need

*Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2*

*Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; <sup>4</sup> Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4*

## Equipped to lead those the Lord hath placed in my care

*Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God; <sup>6</sup> Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. 2 Corinthians 3:5-6*

In the lives of Children

In the lives of Teens

In the lives of Adults

God equips His people to live the Christian life by transforming them inwardly, empowering them continually, instructing them faithfully, supporting them corporately, and maturing them progressively - until Christ is formed in them.

# Sunday School

# Refresh

## 2. EQUIP - PREPARE FOR LIFE AND MINISTRY

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: <sup>17</sup>That the man of God may be perfect, *thoroughly furnished unto all good works.* II Timothy 3:16-17

The Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship provides believers an opportunity to be equipped to live out their faith competently and confidently.

### CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING TRUTHS CONCERNING HOW BELIEVERS ARE EQUIPPED:

1. Through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit
2. Through the supplying grace of God
3. Through the ministry of the Word of God
4. Through prayer and supplication
5. By spiritual gifts
6. Through the fellowship and accountability of the body of Christ
7. Through the trials and afflictions of suffering
8. Through the chastening of the Lord
9. By the hope of eternity

### CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING TASKS FOR WHICH WE ARE BEING EQUIPPED:

#### Equipped to escape **temptation**

*There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also *make a way to escape*, that ye may be able to bear it.* 1 Corinthians 10:13

#### Equipped to overcome the **flesh**

*This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and *ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.** Galatians 5:16

#### Equipped to endure **hardships**

*And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for *my strength is made perfect in weakness.* Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.* 2 Corinthians 12:9

#### Equipped to stand against the **wiles of the Devil**

*Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to *stand against the wiles of the devil.** Ephesians 6:11

#### Equipped to obey the Lord's **commands**

*For it is God which worketh in you both *to will and to do of his good pleasure.** Philippians 2:13

#### Equipped to declare the **gospel** to an unbelieving world

*For I am not ashamed of *the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.** Romans 1:16