#### Story of Esther

"For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place and you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not attained royalty for such a time as this? Esther 4:14

# David and Bathsheba's child

2 Sam. 12:14-23

He said, "While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who knows, the Lord may be gracious to me, that the child may live.' 2 Sam. 12:22

# The Prophet Joel in announcing judgment

Joel 2:12-14

Who knows whether He will not turn and relent And leave a blessing behind Him, Even a grain offering and a drink offering For the Lord your God? Joel 2:14

# Jonah announces destruction of Nineveh

Jonah 3:4-9

Who knows, God may turn and relent and withdraw His burning anger so that we will not perish." Jonah 3:9

# God is willing and Able.

#### God is working.

#### We often affirm, but we don't know.

## God WILL fulfill HIS purposes and plans.

## We can have confidence even while NOT knowing...

On the next day Moses said to the people, "You yourselves have committed a great sin; and now I am going up to the Lord, perhaps I can make atonement for your sin." Exod. 32:30

Hate evil, love good, And establish justice in the gate! Perhaps the Lord God of hosts May be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. Amos 5:15

Seek the LORD, All you humble of the earth Who have carried out His ordinances; Seek righteousness, seek humility. Perhaps you will be hidden In the day of the LORD'S anger. Zeph. 2:3

"Now then, give me this hill country about which the LORD spoke on that day, for you heard on that day that Anakim were there, with great fortified cities; perhaps the LORD will be with me, and I will drive them out as the LORD has spoken." Josh. 14:12

, "Come and let us cross over to the garrison of these uncircumcised; perhaps the LORD will work for us, for the LORD is not restrained to save by many or by few." 1Sam. 14:6

For perhaps he was for this reason separated from you for a while, that you would have him back forever,... Ph. 15

### We must commit to faithfully serving Him.. whatever Comes!

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Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. 1P. 4:19