When You Can't Get Out

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Micah 7:7  Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.

In the belly of the whale, Jonah chose to ____________________________________

Jonah 2:4  Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple.

Lamentations 3:21-23  21This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope. 22It is of the LORD’S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. 23They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

In Pharaoh’s prison, Joseph chose to take on ____________________________________

Genesis 39:22  And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it.

1 Corinthians 4:2  Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

Daniel 3:16-18  16Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. 17If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. 18But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

Psalm 91:9-11  9Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; 10There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. 11For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

In the face of opposition, Daniel chose to maintain his ____________________________________

Daniel 6:10  Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.

Psalm 73:16-17  16When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me; 17Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end.

In their darkest hour, Paul and Silas chose to ____________________________________

Acts 16:25  And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

Matthew 18:20  For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

“God, I can’t get out, but I think ___________________!”