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**"GOD WILL PROVIDE FOR YOU"**

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### **PHILIPPIANS 4:19 (NLT)**

**TRUTH:** With every promise of God in Scripture there is a premise (Matthew 9:29).

**TRUTH:** Faith is muscle that grows from trials where in the heat of difficulty I consistently trust God to take care of me (1 Peter 1:7 NLT).

**TRUTH:** Trials of our lives are to test our faith so God can bless our lives.

#### **I. THE TEST OF THE URGENT, Psalm 50:15 (LB)**

**INSIGHT:** God will not put His blessing on our plans that we seek to force on Him.

**INSIGHT:** Any plan of yours without God is a well that won't hold water!

**REALITY:** We can package the sin of meeting a felt need our way instead of God's way any way we want, but it's a well we're digging that will break our heart. Count on it. God is not mocked (Isaiah 50:10 NLT).

#### **II. THE TEST OF PEOPLE**

**INSIGHT:** God often uses people in our lives to test and stretch and develop our faith.

**TRUTH:** Nobody in your life or on this planet can meet all your needs or make you happy (Isaiah 2:22 NCV).

**INSIGHT:** Stop expecting anyone to be your savior, to make you happy and secure (Jeremiah 17:7 NLT; Isaiah 49:23 NCV).

**TRUTH:** The disappointments of your life are a test, and this is the test: Are you gonna trust God in your disappointments?

#### **III. THE TEST OF PERSISTENCE, Ecclesiastes 5:4 (LB)**

**INSIGHT:** People today are half-committed to two dozen things instead of totally committed to one or two things in life that really matter for now and eternity.

**TRUTH:** If a commitment is important, it will be hard to keep (Ecclesiastes 5:4, 8:5 LB).

**TRUTH:** Strong people keep their commitments. Weak people give excuses for dropping out (Isaiah 30:15).