



FLOURISH

“Do You Desire to Flourish?”

The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree. Psalm 92:12 (NKVJ)

Flourish in Hebrew is *parach*. This term means to bud, sprout, send out shoots and blossom.

FLOURISHING MANY TIMES STARTS WITH A QUESTION

- There are over _____ questions in the Bible.
- Jesus Himself asked _____ questions in His ministry.

GOD’S FIRST QUESTION

God placed Adam and Eve in the garden to flourish. Sin entered and the potential to flourish was broken. God stepped into their brokenness with a question.

_____?

WHY DOES GOD ASK QUESTIONS?

1. God was _____ something.
 - Jacob – “What is your name?” (Gen 32:24)
 - Moses – “What’s in your hand?” (Exodus 4:1ff)
2. He wanted to _____ us with Him
 - The man at the pool – “Do you want to be well?” (John 5:6)
 - To Philip – “Where should we buy bread?” (John 6:5)
3. He asked for a shift in our _____
 - To the disciples – “Where is your faith?” (Luke 8:25)
 - Two Blind men – “Do you believe I am able to do this?” (Matt. 9:28)

4. To position us for a _____
 - To the sick women, “Who touched Me? (Mark 5:30)
 - To Bartemaus – “What do you want me to do for you? (Mark 10:51)

QUESTIONS FOR YOU TODAY

1. What is your vision for this year?
2. Where is your faith?
3. How’s your heart and soul?
4. How’s your health?
5. Who are you learning from?
6. What is your ministry assignment this year?

RESPONDING TO GOD’S QUESTIONS

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

FATHER GOD, *Thank you for stepping into my life and causing me to flourish. Thank you for lifting me up and giving me a fresh start this new year. Fill me today with your vision and power so that I can be all that you call me to be. This day I declare I am that palm tree that will flourish and grow – for your glory and praise. In Christ’s Name, AMEN*

GATHER, GROW AND GO WITH US IN GROW GROUPS

Open Up: *How do you see yourself flourishing this year – 2018?*

Share Scriptures: *Let different members share a verse or idea from this teaching that impacted them personally. What does it mean for them?*

Talk It Over: *What are some things that cause us to flourish spiritually?*

Pray Together: *Pray for each other to flourish in the coming year.*



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