



Fighting for an Awesome Marriage

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How do We Survive the Storms that Strike a Marriage?

- **Rains** in Marriage= Culture we exist within
- **Streams** in Marriage= Crisis we encounter
- **Winds** in Marriage= Changes we experience

1) The Rains that Fall: Culture

...in the last days there will be very difficult times. For people will love only themselves and their money. They will be boastful and proud, scoffing at God... 2 Timothy 3:1-4 (NLT)

- Humanism:
- Materialism:
- Hedonism:

Don't copy the behaviour and customs of this world but be a new and different person... (Romans 12:2 TLB)

2) The Streams of Life: Crisis

How should we face life's inevitable crisis?

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. Isaiah 43:1-3 (NIV)

- Rest in God's Plans (Don't be afraid)
- Remember God's Presence (You are not alone)
- Rely on God's Protection (You will not drown)

Malachi 2:16

...Human love wears thin, we need God's power

3) The Winds of Time and Change

Do not be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others. Philippians 2:4 (NCV)

...I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation...I can do all this through Him who gives me strength. Philippians 4:12b-13 (NIV)

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Ephesians 3:20 (NLT)