

EMMANUEL NOTES

Your Best Year Ever

Week 4 - Hitting out of the Hazard

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Life's twists and turns, and the feelings that result, can knock us off our plan and distract us from reaching our goals.

It is possible to get good at hitting out of the hazard.

How do we do it?

1. Expect the ball to go in the hazard.

- *In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. - John 16:33b*

2. Know that God has allowed it.

- *And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. - Romans 8:28*
- *"God did not cause the horrible events in your life, but you need to embrace the fact that He allowed them." - James MacDonald*

3. Keep an eternal perspective.

- *"All things really do work together, but not without an eternal perspective." Bob Buford*
- *For this world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come. - Hebrews 13:14*

4. The purpose is growth.

- *...we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope. - Romans 5:3-4*
- *"Problems are the very means by which God changes us, transforms us, and drives us forward. Without problems, there would be no growth." - Tim Hansel*

5. Get on the solution side.

- There are people that can help.
- There are books that can help.
- There are groups that can help.

6. Begin a relationship with Jesus Christ.

- *But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. - John 1:12*