

# PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOW SHIP

June 16, 2019 - Father's Day

## Recipe: Life Well Lived

### **Follow the Instructions**

Building with legos and baking a dessert

The process, the work happening, the chemistry, a recipe (instructions)

Psalms 119:72 Your instructions are more valuable to me than millions in gold and silver.

Proverbs 8:10 Choose my instruction rather than silver, and knowledge rather than pure gold.

Psalms 119:55 I reflect at night on who you are, O Lord; therefore, I obey your instructions.

Proverbs 4:2 for I am giving you good guidance. Don't turn away from my instructions.

### **It will take time**

When you see the end product we think it is easy to do or obtain or can happen in a short amount of time.

Ecclesiastes 3:11 - He has made everything beautiful in its time.

2 Peter 3:8-9 - But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. 9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

God in our lives is a process –

We are a masterpiece of God and he is at work in us

He is considering all the ingredients in our lives; the hardships, the trials, the gifts he's given us

Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to

prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. (to the exiles during the time of Nebuchadnezzar)

He often works in stages – lego and cake building

If we attempt to force a process or go to fast things can go wrong.

Pieces that don't support a greater structure (house built on sand)

Luke 6:48 - It is like a person building a house who digs deep and lays the foundation on solid rock. When the floodwaters rise and break against that house, it stands firm because it is well built.

Romans 9:21 When a potter makes jars out of clay, doesn't he have a right to use the same lump of clay to make one jar for decoration and another to throw garbage into?

### **It will turn out beautifully**

Ecclesiastes 3:11

### **Not on this earth**

James 2:12

2 Corinthians 5:10

Romans 12:1

### **Keep your eyes on Jesus**

Eyes on Jesus – Hebrews 12:2

Things can sometimes need a reset – rebuild, scrap the batter or mix

God's work is individual

The danger of comparison

Romans 12-14 excerpts

God's work in us is a process and often works in stages