**Edward Church “*What He Said..”* Faith Building 101 -*God’s Word Applied* pt. 9**

**Ever Feel** Things **are Out of** Control**? We** Have **More** Control **of Than** Imagined**. Maybe** Not **the Actual** Situation **But the** Way **We** SeeThings **and** Respond**.** Instead **of** Listening **to** Every **Random** Voice **Daily and** Reacting **Accordingly, Try** Listening **to What God** Says**…Then** Respond **vs** **React**!

**…Getting It Together**

**How God Raises Us to a New** Level**- Psalm 103: 1– 5 The** Benefits **of** Trusting **the Lord Listed in this Text Correspond to the** Stages **God Uses in** Building **Someone into a** Healthy**,** Spiritual **Person. The Psalmist Lists the** Benefits **In this** Order**:**

1. **God** Pardons **(3)— We Must** Put **Our Past** Shame **or** Blame **Behind Us.**

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1. **God** Heals **(3)— We Must Become** Healthy **and Be** Liberated **from Old** Wounds**.**

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1. **God** Redeems **(4)— We Can** See **Our** Abilities **and** Personality **Redeemed.**

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1. **God** Crowns **(4)— We Are** Crowned **with** Gifts **and a** Place **to Serve.**

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1. **God** Satisfies **(5)— We Feel** Satisfied **and** Fulfilled **as We Live Out Our** Purpose**.**

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**We Must**

* **Remember** Where **We Came from and** Who **is Our** Source
* **Maintain A** Vision **of the Big** Picture
* **Stick with The Right** Priorities

**Priority Questions**

1. Self**-Confident or** Confident **in** God**? (Ps. 56: 9; 118: 6)**

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1. **Know** Men **or Know** God**? (John 10: 14)**

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1. **Make Own** Decisions **or Seek to** Find **God’s Will? (Rom. 12: 2; Eph. 5: 17)**

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1. Independent **or God-**Dependent**? (Is. 42: 1; John 15: 5)**

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**Psalm 103 Praise for the LORD’s Mercies a Psalm of David.**

**1Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

**2Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:**

**3Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases,**

**4Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,**

**5Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.**