

## WOUNDED BUT FAITHFUL

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*“Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen your brothers.”*

(Luke 22:31–32, NLT)

### 1. **Guard my faith.**

*Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be courageous. Be strong.”*

(1 Corinthians 16:13, NLT)

### 2. **What has God call you to be?**

*“Brothers and sisters, consider what you were when God called you to be Christians.”* (1 Corinthians 1:26, GW)

- a. He calls me to be a passionate follower of Christ.
- b. He calls me to be a good steward of my health.
- c. He calls me to help make my spouse a success.
- d. He calls me to disciple and encourage our children.
- e. He calls me to be a \_\_\_\_\_.

### 3. What did God call you to do?

*“For God called you to do good, even if it means suffering, just as Christ suffered for you. He is your example, and you must follow in his steps.”*  
(1 Peter 2:21, NLT)

- a. What are my skills?
- b. What are my talents?
- c. What are my spiritual gifts?

### 4. For God to be strong in me, I must admit my weaknesses.

*“That’s why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong.”* (2 Corinthians 12:10, NLT)

- a. Humble myself.
- b. Discipline myself.
- c. Encourage myself in the Lord.

### 5. Remember that I am not God.

*“For through him God created everything in heaven and on earth, the seen and the unseen things, including spiritual powers, lords, rulers, and authorities. God created the whole universe through him and for him.”*  
(Colossians 1:16, GNB)

- a. Be a learner.
- b. Be a thinker.
- c. Be joyful