



# potential

living God's dream for me  
*overcoming pressures*  
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*"So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom."*  
Psalms 90:12 ESV

## God uses pressure to...

*"Remember how the Lord your God led you through the wilderness for these forty years, humbling you and testing you to prove your character, and to find out whether or not you would obey His commands."*

Deuteronomy 8:2 NLT

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*"So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up."*  
Galatians 6:9 NLT

## When pressured, I can overcome when I... *Romans 4:17-20*

- Remember \_\_\_\_\_

*"I have made you the father of many nations.' This happened because Abraham believed in the God who brings the dead back to life and who creates new things out of nothing."*  
Romans 4:17b NLT

Jesus - *"What is impossible for people is possible with God."*  
Luke 18:27 NLT

*"Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things He does for me."*  
Psalms 103:2 NLT

- **Hold onto** \_\_\_\_\_

*“Even when there was no reason for hope, Abraham kept hoping—believing that he would become the father of many nations. For God had said to him, ‘That’s how many descendants you will have!’”*  
**Romans 4:18 NLT**

*“Be still in the presence of the Lord, and wait patiently for Him to act. Don’t worry about evil people who prosper or fret about their wicked schemes.”*  
**Psalms 37:7 NLT**

- **Honestly** \_\_\_\_\_

*“And Abraham’s faith did not weaken, even though, at about 100 years of age, he figured his body was as good as dead—and so was Sarah’s womb. Abraham never wavered in believing God’s promise.”*  
**Romans 4:19-20a NLT**

*“Enthusiasm without knowledge is no good; haste makes mistakes.”*  
**Proverbs 19:2 NLT**

*“So we don’t look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.”*  
**2 Corinthians 4:18 NLT**

- **Anticipate** \_\_\_\_\_

*“In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God. He was fully convinced that God is able to do whatever he promises.”*  
**Romans 4:20-21 NLT**

*“In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, we stopped relying on ourselves and learned to rely only on God, who raises the dead. And He did rescue us from mortal danger, and He will rescue us again. We have placed our confidence in Him, and He will continue to rescue us.”*  
**2 Corinthians 1:9-10 NLT**

*“This vision is for a future time. It describes the end, and it will be fulfilled. If it seems slow in coming, wait patiently, for it will surely take place. It will not be delayed.”*  
**Habakkuk 2:3 NLT**