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TRANSFORMING TRUTH

Providence

**God is at work in his
world**

Genesis 22:8

God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.” And the two of them went on together.

Providence

God is at work in his world

i. in creation

Hebrews 1:3

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. ...

Providence

Acts 17:26

God is at work in his world

From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live.

ii. through history

Providence

Isaiah 10:5

Woe to the Assyrian, the
rod of my anger, in whose
hand is the club of my
wrath!

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iii. through pagan nations & rulers

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Isaiah 44:28

...who says of Cyrus, 'He is my shepherd and will accomplish all that I please; he will say of Jerusalem, "Let it be rebuilt" and of the temple, "Let its foundations be laid."

Providence

God is at work in his world

iv. through dreadful evil

Genesis 50:20

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

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1 John 3:8

He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

Providence

Acts 2:23

This man was handed over to you... and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.

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Acts 2:23

This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.

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Acts 4:27-28

Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed.

Providence

Acts 4:28

They did what your
power and will had
decided beforehand
should happen

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Habakkuk 2:14

For the earth will be
filled with the knowledge
of the glory of the Lord,
as the waters cover the
sea.

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A PROMISE

Romans 8:28

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Joseph: The lessons of providence

Psalm 23:4

Even though I walk
through the darkest
valley

1. Don't stop moving

Joseph: The lessons of providence

2. Discover God's presence

Psalm 23:4

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil,
for *you are with me*;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

Joseph: The lessons of providence

2. Discover God's presence

Jonah 2:2

"In my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me. From the depths of the grave I called for help, and you listened to my cry.

Joseph: The lessons of providence

2. Discover God's presence

Isaiah 45:3

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I will give you the treasures of darkness, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the Lord, the God of Israel, who summons you by name.

Joseph: The lessons of providence

3. Decide to look for what God is doing

Genesis 50:20

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

Joseph: The lessons of providence

4. Declare the best is still to come

Genesis 50:24

I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob."

Hebrews 11:13-16

All these people were still living by faith when they died. And they admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. they were longing for a better country--a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

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