

**God will provide a way - Growth Group Study**  
**30 August 2020 – John Malcolm**

In the stories of the Bible we see people facing challenges and difficulties which are overcome because God provided a way for them.

**Consider the following and discuss how God provided a way forward.**

**Problem:** Abraham and Sarah were childless (Genesis 17:15–19)

**Problem:** famine threatened Jacob's dysfunctional family with starvation (Genesis 41:39–40 & 42:1–2)

**Problem:** the people of Israel were chased by the army of Egypt and hemmed in by the Red Sea, (Exodus 14:21–23)

**Problem:** the people of Israel were crossing the wilderness hungry and thirsty (Exodus 16:11–15 & 17:3–6)

**Problem:** Daniel was locked in the lion's den and his friends were thrown in the fiery furnace (Daniel 3:21–25 & 6:16–22)

**Problem:** the world was lost in darkest sin (Luke 19:10 & Ephesians 5:8–10)

**What similarities and differences do you see in these stories of God's provision?**

**Which of these inspires you most?**

**Is there a different story from the bible of God providing a way which you find inspiring?**

**Read, Romans 8:28 & 2 Corinthians 4:8–9 & Philippians 4:4**

**What do you think inspired Paul to have such a positive attitude while facing difficulties?**

**Read Psalm 42:5–6 & 121:1–2**

**Why is the person in Ps45 speaking to themselves? What are they hoping to achieve by doing this?**

**Reviewing the examples above, what confidence can the stories and teaching of the bible give us when we face difficult times?**