The Big Question THE HOPE QUOTIENT

Refocus on the _____

Philippians 3:13 I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead.

What can _____

Mark 1:17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men."

Jesus was not focused on what people were ______. He was focused on what they could become.

Forward-focused people have three things in common:

1. Their ______ replaces discouragement.

2. They navigate great ______ in impossible circumstances.

It's not where you ______, it's what you become.

3. They are fueled by God's grace and future ______.

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Numbers 26:59 The name of Amram's wife was Jochebed, a descendant of Levi, who was born to the Levites in Egypt. To Amram she bore Aaron, Moses and their sister Miriam.

Exodus 2:1-10 About this time, a man and woman from the tribe of Levi got married. 2 The woman became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She saw that he was a special baby and kept him hidden for three months. 3 But when she could no longer hide him, she got a basket made of papyrus reeds and waterproofed it with tar and pitch. She put the baby in the basket and laid it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile River. 4 The baby's sister then stood at a distance, watching to see what would happen to him. 5 Soon Pharaoh's daughter came down to bathe in the river, and her attendants walked along the riverbank. When the princess saw the basket among the reeds, she sent her maid to get it for her. 6 When the princess opened it, she saw the baby. The little boy was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This must be one of the Hebrew children," she said. 7 Then the baby's sister approached the princess. "Should I go and find one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" she asked. 8 "Yes, do!" the princess replied. So the girl went and called the baby's mother. 9 "Take this baby and nurse him for me," the princess told the baby's mother. "I will pay you for your help." So the woman took her baby home and nursed him. 10 Later, when the boy was older, his mother brought him back to Pharaoh's daughter, who adopted him as her own son. The princess named him Moses, for she explained, "I lifted him out of the water."

What would happen if you looked at every relationship, not for the problems it causes, but for the _____ God has for it?

When you take a ______ hope and place it in the hands of a ______ God, _____ is possible.

The ultimate example of what can this become is _____.

Psalm 71:14 As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.