

SCCC – DIVINE TRAINING

S - Scriptures

“Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance;” Romans 5: 3

C – Consideration

This verse of the Scriptures describes a spiritual reaction chain that some physical or emotional suffering would cause in the life of a Christian. The pedagogical side of these travails creates the determination for believers to move on in their faith. Without perceiving it, more virtues are added as he passes through strong winds and rough seas of his life, “Perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.”

C- Commitment

Who wants to face travails, sorrows, and pain? The answer is no one! We were not made to face suffering, but to enjoy the Creator and His creation; however, sin entered the world, and because of it, consequently, came suffering. Adam and Eve experienced the pain of their older son killing the younger. The first murder caused pain, guilt, and despair as the earth received the blood of Abel. Personally, I have experienced pains. Childhood physical abuse; other times I faced terrible pains caused by clots in my veins and arteries, and emotional pain caused by guilt and shame of sins I had done against others. The travails I faced as a Christian, however, turned out to be a blessing in my life. It wasn’t easy during the process, but by His grace, I persevered, and the Lord could show many things that I couldn’t see before my trials. Job, one of the greatest examples of sufferings in the Bible, at the end of his trials, said, “My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes.” The Psalmist wrote, “Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I obey your word.” They both learned and were rewarded through suffering. The apostle also pointed out why we would have the strength to get victory: “because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.”

C – Call

Heavenly Father, You have promised that one day we will never ever see or experience pain anymore, and this is our hope and faith, but You also have told us that we would face trials in this world. Help me and my brethren to keep always in our hearts that even in the midst of the battles You are always with us and not our, but Your love is in our hearts. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen!