

Pastoral Notes

'How did I end up like this'- Gen 21: 8-19.

Life can be like an elevator that escorts you to the highest heights then drops you to the depths of despair. Living the dreams you had as a child are the exception, not the rule. Most end up in jobs, relationships, and circumstances they did not plan to be in. **Your current state may be dictated by decisions and choices made.** It could also be impacted by outside forces we don't totally control. But

themselves, "how did I end up like this".

Have you ever felt like you have to shoulder the weight of the world by paying all the bills, cooking all the meals and being the sole family supporter? Know that **God will never allow anything to be put on you that you cannot handle.** And when you least expect it, God will dispatch an Angel to help care for you. You've entertained Angels unaware. They had sweat pants and gym shoes instead of halo's and wings but God sent them to help you.

Key Sermonic Points:

1. *God gives you power to shoulder whatever's put on you.*
2. *When all you have is spent, God will dispatch an Angel.*
3. *Stop your pity party, lift your head and watch God work.*

when our situations are less than desirable, **we must trust in the master plan of God. He will always see you through.**

Hagar, an Egyptian woman, took a job to tend to the needs of Sarah, but she ended up tending to the needs of Sarah's husband, Abraham. Hagar had his child and for a time was living good but one day, was sent packing with just a bottle of water, bread and her son. Her story is the story of countless people who are over used and under-represented, who look in the mirror and ask

The next time you wonder why you are where you are, consider stopping your pity party, stepping back and watch God work. He will flip the script and bless you with more than can imagine. Then, when you see you have more money than bills, more joy than pain, more possibilities than disabilities, you'll say Lord, "how did I end up like this".

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