

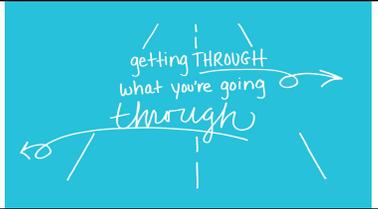
**Getting Through What You're
Going Through**

How Did I Get Here?

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How to Get Through What You're Going Through

1. Discover Who Jesus Is For Yourself!

When John heard in prison what Christ was doing, he sent his disciples to ask him, "Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?"
Matthew 11:2-3 (NIV)

2. Trust Jesus Even When You Don't Understand.

Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor."
Matthew 11:4-5 (NIV)

{Jesus said} "God blesses those who do not turn away because of me."
Matthew 11:6 (NLT)

3. Resolve To Live Wholeheartedly

As John's disciples were leaving, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John: "What did you go out into the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind? If not, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No, those who wear fine clothes are in kings' palaces. Then what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written: 'I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.'"
Matthew 11:7-10 (NIV)

"To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

"We played the flute for you,
and you did not dance;
we sang a dirge,
and you did not mourn."

Matthew 11:16-17 (NIV)

4. Cherish God's Opinion Of You

I tell you the truth: Among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.
Matthew 11:11 (NIV)

Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is kept safe.
Proverbs 29:25 (NIV)