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### Helpful Hints

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- 2) Keep your focus on Jesus and remember that whatever you go through, He is sovereign and will use all things for the good of those who love Him.
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- 4) Remember when you feel weak you are not alone, endeavour to use the support of other Christians around you to lift your spirits and help you carry on to a place of strength and assurance once again.



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