

## Too Soon to Quit: Turning our Trials to Triumphs

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## Down...but not out!

"Discouragement is no respecter of persons. In fact, discouragement seems to attack the successful far more than the unsuccessful; for the higher we climb, the farther down we can fall."

Warren Wiersbe



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- Remember what God IS to you 2 Cor. 1:3
  - Praise Him because He is God
  - Praise Him because He is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
  - Praise Him because He is the Father of mercies
  - Praise Him because He is the God of all comfort

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- Remember what God does FOR you 2 Cor. 1:4a, 8-11
  - He permits trials to come
  - He is in control of trials v. 8
  - He enables us to bear our trials v. 9
  - He delivers us from our trials v. 10
  - He is glorified through our trials v. 11

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- Remember what God does THROUGH you 2 Cor.
  1:4b-7
  - How does God want to use the trials of your life to minister to those under your care?
  - Be a reservoir...so that you can be a channel of God's blessing to others!