

Four Seasons

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Each life stage brings its own challenges. Amid uncertainties we can find seeds for growth and a deepening understanding of God's provision.

1. Which of the seasons of life represented in these articles comes closest to describing your current stage in life right now?
2. Becoming a father has helped Andy Meyer realize how much he must depend on God and on the people of God. Who are some of the people that were part of your childhood and formative years? How are you a “communion of saints” for others in this beginning of life stage?
3. Nilwona Nowlin took a leap of faith in the midlife stage of her career. When have you followed God's prompting into scary and unknown areas?
4. Lisa Sundell Olsen's son agreed with the advice she received to “Speak less, pray more.” What do you remember about leaving your home as a young adult?
5. When Sandy Johnson retired, she named six values to help retain her purpose, identity, and worth. Which of these would be a priority in your own retirement? Are there any values you would add to the list?