

DISCOVER AND EMBRACE

# God's created design

AND MISSION FOR YOUR LIFE!



# CRYING OUT FROM A HEART OF BROKENNESS

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We first need to let God do a work of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in our own hearts so we can \_\_\_\_\_ effectively for others.

God creates circumstances in our lives to show us how much we need Him. God wants to see hearts that are saying, \_\_\_\_\_ to whatever He says.

Acknowledgment of \_\_\_\_\_ makes us eligible to receive the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Scriptures that speak of the need for brokenness:

- Isaiah 57:15
- Psalm 34:18
- Psalm 51:16
- Isaiah 66:2

God revives the heart that is \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

God's Word teaches us that the way up is down. The way to \_\_\_\_\_ is through brokenness. We cannot meet God in \_\_\_\_\_ until we first meet Him in brokenness.

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom (James 4:8-9).

Brokenness is not:

- Being \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.
- Having false \_\_\_\_\_.
- Crying lots of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Being deeply \_\_\_\_\_.
- A \_\_\_\_\_.

Brokenness is:

- A \_\_\_\_\_.
- An ongoing, continual \_\_\_\_\_.
- Agreeing with God about the true condition of my \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Unconditional, absolute \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus as Lord.
- The shattering of my \_\_\_\_\_ so that the life and spirit of Jesus may be released through me.
- My responses of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to the conviction of God's Spirit and His Word.
- Brokenness goes in two directions—\_\_\_\_\_ toward God and \_\_\_\_\_ toward others. It's living with the \_\_\_\_\_ off and \_\_\_\_\_ down.

Scriptural examples of people who were broken and humble (set in contrast to those who were not broken):

- Luke 18:9-14: Two \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 15:11-31: Two \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 7:36-50: Two people at a \_\_\_\_\_

The best place we can possibly be is when we're in need and have no solutions.

*The longer you've been in this Christian life thing, the higher up you go in terms of position and responsibility and influence, the greater the temptation to become a twenty-first-century modern-day Pharisee.*

- Why do you need to submit to brokenness? Because of its \_\_\_\_\_.
- Brokenness brings \_\_\_\_\_.
- It causes God to \_\_\_\_\_ to us.
- It releases new \_\_\_\_\_.
- It gives us an increased capacity for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- It brings increased \_\_\_\_\_.

Where to start?

- See \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord and say, "Be merciful to me, a sinner."
- Acknowledge and verbalize your need \_\_\_\_\_.
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