

Alive Again
Becoming A Person Who Naturally Lives the Jesus Way

1. Understand what _____

Genesis 39:9 *How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?*

Definition: It's what I do without having to think about it. Character is what I have become on the inside that shapes how I instinctively react to whatever life brings.

Key: God wants to _____

Key: Character determines _____

Acts 6:8 *Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people.*

2. Learn God's _____

_____ : Helps us see where we need to go

Luke 19:8 *But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."*

_____ : Removes the illusion we are right

2 Chronicles 33:10 *The Lord spoke to Manasseh and his people, but they paid no attention.*

3. _____

a) _____

Romans 5:3-5 *we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.*

Key: _____

b) _____

2 Corinthians 12:9 *But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.*

Practical Steps to Releasing Outcomes to Jesus

Hebrews 4:16 *So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive His mercy and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.*

Step 1: *Name the outcome you are trying to control: (An opinion, reaction, decision, anger, work or home). What is causing me anxiety, stress, fear, worry?*

I can't be happy until...

Step 2: *Confess & Surrender that person or situation to God*

"Father, I'm not in control of _____ and when I try to control it, I only add stress and anxiety to my life. Please forgive me. I'm going to give this situation to you. Your will be done not mine. I release this outcome to you."

What is mine to do and what is God's to do?

Step 3: *Ask for Grace (He promised to give it to you)*

- Grace to change the circumstances
- Grace to receive His character in me (Joy, peace, love, patience, kindness, gentleness, self-control, goodness)

What would you like to refine in me during this time?

Step 4: *Remember you WILL see the goodness of God in this*

- Thank Him for this test, trial, or need because you know this is an opportunity to trust Him and see Him work
- Thank Him that He is already working – I will see the goodness of God in this...

Isaiah 41:13 *For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says, "Do not fear; I will help you."*

Remember: *Faith falls apart when I want something from God more than I want Him.*

2 Peter 1:3-4 *His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.*