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HEALING

Don't go east, away from God

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• What voice do you listen to?

Adam in Hebrew — Humanity

Old testament — Unclean wins every time

New testament—Clean wins every time

- Are you reaching out to touch Jesus?
- To find healing something has to become clean.



KINTSUGI ART

WOUND- Hurts, Painful

SCAR—Doesn't hurt, We don't hide, tells a story

 When your wound becomes a scar, then you can tell other people how good He is and what He's done.

Luke 24- And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

 Do you want all the answers, or do you want to sit at the table with Jesus?





1. CHOOSE GOD'S GOOD MEDICINE

We see bad medicine all around us. Some of our Facebook, Instagram friends show they are dealing with hurts and wounds in ways that make things worse. Retaliation, rants, revenge, rage...or maybe we show nothing. We hide, deny and stuff the harmful things we have experienced. Bad medicine makes an injury worse. Dealing with hurts and wounds the way the world does leaves us disabled, chronic. Thankfully there is a complete cure available through Christ when we subscribe to His good medicine submit all to Him.

2. SHOWER OFTEN

The cleansing experience of coming in close contact with Jesus both cleanses the milder surface things we deal with every day and also treats the intense deep wounds of the past so they can heal over time. This comes from daily contact. Prayer, submission, meditation, reading the Bible is something we really have no reason not to do. God is so immediately, constantly available. No matter what our day holds, there is always the opportunity to do this. Step into and let this wash over you daily – many times a day and let His Spirit keep cleansing, strengthening and healing you.

3. SHOW YOUR SCARS TO HELP OTHERS

Our past wounds can actually help others if we allow healing to happen the way God wants. None of us welcome injury but it happens to us all. And when it does, as we take it to the Great Physician He not only heals us, but will give us opportunities to help others. We may see someone starting down the same wrong path we once walked and our scars will help them see that they don't want to go there. You may meet someone who has the same injury you used to have but doesn't know how to be healed through Christ. Injuries feel like defeats, but by submitting all to God, we can actually experience victory. Our scars actually bring empathy, credibility and positive persuasion to conversations that help others see who Jesus really is.



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