

Day 2: Grace That Loves You Anyway

Devotional

One of the hardest things to believe is that God loves you not just despite your failures, but right in the middle of them. We tend to think love is conditional. That it has to be earned, maintained, or at least deserved on some level. But grace does not work that way.

When Jesus encountered the woman caught in sin in Luke 7, He did not minimize what she had done. He did not pretend it was fine. But He also did not let her past become her permanent identity. He looked past the accusation and saw the hope of her future.

That is what grace does. It holds both truth and love at the same time. It does not approve of everything we do, but it never stops loving who we are.

Mary Magdalene experienced this same love. Jesus saw her when the religious world had written her off. He did not love her because she had it together. He loved her because love was simply who He was.

You may be carrying something today that makes you feel disqualified. A habit you cannot shake, a choice you regret, a version of yourself you are not proud of. Grace says none of that changes how He feels about you. His love is not fragile. It can handle your worst day.

Bible Verse

"Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations." - Psalm 100:4-5

Reflection Question

What would change in your daily life if you truly believed that God's love for you is not affected by your worst moments?

Quote

Does he approve of what you're doing? He doesn't. Does he think what you're doing is the greatest? He probably doesn't. But I want to tell you that it doesn't change the fact that he still loves you.

Prayer

Father, help me to receive Your love without conditions. Where I have felt disqualified, remind me that Your grace is bigger than my failures. Amen.