

Day 4: Nobody Is Too Far Gone

Devotional

One of the most paralyzing lies we believe is that we have gone too far. Too many mistakes. Too much time wasted. Too many bridges burned. If that thought has ever crossed your mind, you are in good company with some of the most significant people in Scripture.

Paul once stood by and approved the killing of Christians. Peter denied Jesus three times on the worst night of His friend's life. The prodigal son burned through his inheritance and ended up feeding pigs in a foreign country. By any human measure, each of them had disqualified themselves.

But God's mercy does not work by human measure. Paul became the writer of thirteen books of the New Testament. Peter stood up on the day of Pentecost and three thousand people came to faith. The prodigal walked home and his Father ran to meet Him.

God's faithfulness is not reserved for people who have kept a clean record. It is extended to people who come back. No matter what you have done or how long you have been away, the same God who restored them is the God who is waiting for you. He is rich in mercy, and He is good.

Bible Verse

"God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. Exalted to the right hand of God, He has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear." - Acts 2:32-33

Reflection Question

What is the mistake or season of failure that you have been using as evidence that God's restoration is not available to you?

Quote

"He thought he blew it and he did blow it. But Jesus made Him the writer of 13 books of the New Testament and the most powerful voice of His generation."

Prayer

God, I bring You the parts of my story I am most ashamed of. Thank You that Your mercy is bigger than my worst moment. Restore what has been lost and remind me that You are not finished with me. Amen.