

DAY 3

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.
2 Corinthians 12:9 NIV

We love talking about and posting about our strengths, wins, or highlights. But what about our "weaknesses" - the areas where we struggle or fail? Those we tend to hide, ignore, or shy away from sharing. Here's the crazy thing: we have the chance to let Jesus be the highlight when we rely on him in the areas where we struggle or fail. When we say "I'm not good at being patient, but after I pray and refocus, I get better at practicing patience." We can embrace and even celebrate our weaknesses because they are an opportunity for Jesus' presence in our life to be on full display!

Think of one weakness in your life and ask Jesus to work powerfully in this area, then praise God for working in your weakness.

DAY 4

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.
2 Timothy 1:7 NIV

When was the last time you shied away from something or someone? Maybe it was when you were around a new group of people, started a new sports or club, or felt intimidated by the difficulty of a project. It's easy to let our insecurities stop us from fully engaging with opportunities that come along in our life. The Holy Spirit is God living within us to empower and guide us every day. This Spirit gives us the boldness to live a life filled with love and self-discipline.

How would knowing the power of God in you change the way you approach intimidating situations?

DAY 5

So God created mankind in his own image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.
Genesis 1:27 NIV

Have you ever created an avatar of yourself for social media, a video game, or just for fun? It can be hard knowing which aspects of yourself to put into digital form: your hair, your clothing style, glasses, or your trademark facial expression. The Bible tells us that we are created in God's image. When God created us in His image, that means that God put qualities about God into us - like his character and attributes. Here's an example: The Bible says that God is love (1 John 4:7) so our ability to love others is part of being made in God's image. Another example would be that we are able to create because we are made in the image of the ultimate Creator. Being made in God's image, we reflect who God is.

How can you reflect God's image today?

DAY 6

For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.
Ephesians 2:10 NLT

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What comes to mind when you hear the word masterpiece? For many, it may be a beautiful piece of art you once saw in a museum, or it may be a breathtaking view you once saw on top of a mountain after a long hike. It might be watching an impossible trick shot be landed successfully, or a perfectly choreographed dance. I bet most of us can think of at least one thing when we hear the word masterpiece. But is that one thing you? This verse serves as a big reminder that even when we view ourselves as broken and damaged the Creator of the universe who has created everything says, "You're a masterpiece." The One who created the beautiful view or created the artist that made the piece of art you love looked at you - at your best and at your worst- and said, "You're a masterpiece!" God invites us into the purpose and plan that He has for each and every single one of us, and his plan is good. You are enough and God has a unique role for you in His plan to make the world better. It's that God loves you more than you can even comprehend. So don't forget that. You are enough. You are loved, and you are God's masterpiece.

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