It's Time to Heal

Let Go of Striving

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35 minutes

Let Go of Your Résumé

- You will experience the love of God when you stop thinking and acting like you must earn it.

  This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:9-10 NIV

  This is how we know that we live in Him and He in us: He has given us of His Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent His Son to be the Savior of the world. 1 John 4:13-14 NIV

Open Your Heart to Grace.

- Shame and guilt make us believe we're unworthy of love. But grace says otherwise.

  Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1 NIV

  Shame says, "Because of what you've done, you're unlovable."
  Grace says, "While you were still a sinner, Christ died for you."
  Shame says, "Hide your brokenness."
  Grace says, "Come boldly to the throne of grace."
  Shame says, "You will always be defined by your past."
  Grace says, "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

*V*alue Your Identity in Christ.

- When you live from God's love, you begin to see your worth because of the price God paid for you. That's love.

  For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 1 Peter 1:18-19 NIV

*E*xperience God's Presence Daily.

- Jesus is not a means to an end. He is the end. He simply wants to love you.

  For He chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in His sight. In love He predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with His pleasure and will— to the praise of His glorious grace, which He has freely given us in the One He loves. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that He lavished on us. Ephesians 1:4-8 NIV

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