

Awake and Rising Above Brokenness and Burnout

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Goals of Talk



To prevent

- Backsliding
- Breakdown
- Burnout
- Debility
- Depression
- Disintegration
- Falsehood
- Fear
- Poor stewardship

To promote

- Abundant life
- Faith
- Fruitfulness
- Health
- Integrity
- Joy
- Peace
- Truth
- Vitality

Where do we fit?

Learning curve for people in healing professions:

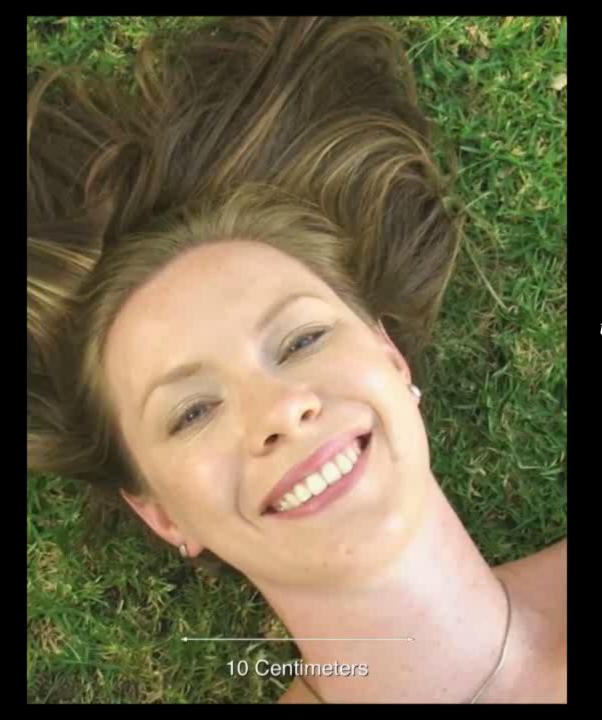
- See one, do one [or be one], and then teach one...
- In process.. "It ain't over till it's over" Yogi Berra

"How much larger your life would be if your self could become smaller in it."

- G. K. Chesterton

COSMIC EYE VIDEO

BIG PROBLEMS CALL FOR A BIGGER GOD



When I stand
before
immensity
that heightens
my smallness,
I have never
felt sadness.

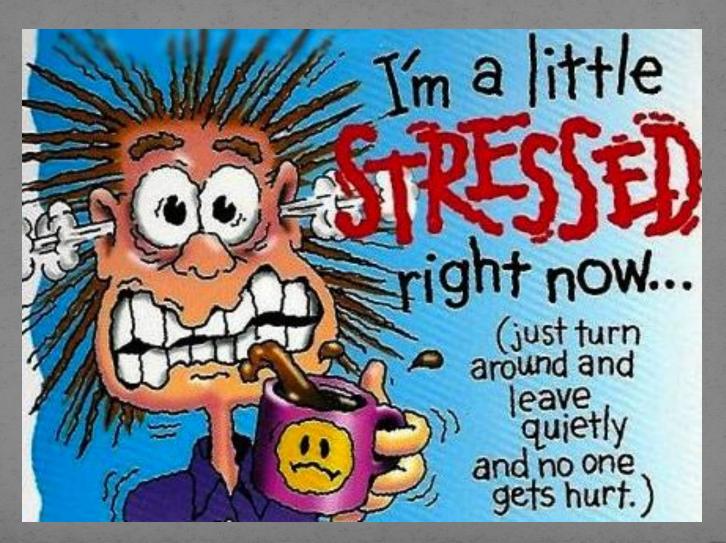
Only burgeoning wonder.

Ann Voskamp

Peaceful Shalom Joy – Going Happy



Restless Stress - Going Mad



Stressing or Resting?

For thus said the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength."

But you were unwilling, and you said, "No! We will flee upon horses"; therefore you shall flee away; and, "We will ride upon swift steeds."

Therefore your pursuers shall be swift. A thousand shall flee at the threat of one; at the threat of five you shall flee, till you are left like a flagstaff on the top of a mountain, like a signal on a hill.

Broken or Broken Down?

- Are we broken healers who are acquainted with grief like Job, David, Jesus, and Paul?
 - "I know that my redeemer lives."
 - "I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living."
 - "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."
 - "For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too."
- Or are we getting broken down and washed out?



Busines

Burning or Burned Out?

- Are we burning brightly?
 - Burning pure oil with trimmed wicks
 - Ample supply of the oil of the Holy Spirit
 - Set like lamps on a lampstand or lighthouses on a rock
 - Shielded by clean chimneys to weather storms
 - Shining in all directions to show the way
- Or are we getting burned out?

Two-sided approach

Prevention

- Fervent Prayer
- Godly Precaution
- Good Stewardship
- Wellness
- Wisdom
- Virtue

Amelioration -> 6 Rs

- Reflection
- Reassessment
- Repentance
- Remission
- Recovery
- Restoration

Tripartite nature of man

Spirit (pneumo)

- Spiritual life
 - Thinking
 - Communion with God
 - Discernment
 - Receives gifts
 - Receives power
 - Source of love, joy, peace, healing...

Soul (psyche)

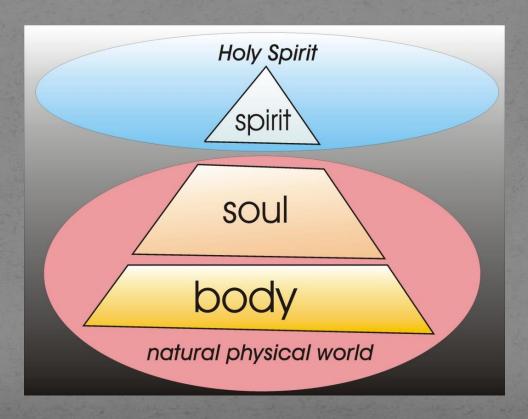
- Psychological
 - Mind/emotions
 - Relationships
 - Experiences
 - Self-image, identity
 - Desires
 - Feelings
 - Rationalizations

Body (soma)

- Physical life
 - Abilities
 - Talents
 - Latent intelligence
 - Hunger, thirst, appetite
 - Lusts

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole **spirit** and **soul** and **body** be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Stewardship

- God created us, called us into being, has given us
 bodies, souls, and eternal spirits, and therefore:
 - We're all called to be good stewards of what we've been given.
- The questions remain:
 - How do we take good care of our bodies?
 - What about our souls?
 - And where does spiritual care fit in?

Niebuhr's Serenity Prayer

God, give me Grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed, Courage to change the things which should be changed, and the Wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.

Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time, accepting hardship as a pathway to peace; taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it;

Trusting that You will make all things right, if I surrender to Your will, so that I may be reasonably happy in this life, and supremely happy with You forever in the next.

Amen.

Energy Balance and Resistance in Whole Person Care - Dr. Bill Morehouse, His Branches

Type of Energy	In	Out	Intervention						
Body (soma)	Rest	Work, toil	Scheduling						
Physica1	Sleep	Insomnia	Rectify disorder						
852	Health	Illness, injury	Medical treatment, healing prayer						
	Good nutrition	Malnutrition	Dietary counsel, supplement						
	Well-being, fitness	Improper exercise	Balanced exercise						
	Sexual harmony (eros)	Sexual dysfunction	Godly therapy						
Soul (psyche)	Righteousness	Self-righteousness, sin	Repentance, discipline						
Psychologica1	Good relationships (phtleo)	Destructive relationships	Interpersonal counsel						
Mind, emotions	Marital harmony	Marital strife	Marital counsel						
	Family harmony	Family conflict	Family therapy						
	Job satisfaction	Job, school stress	Vocational counsel						
	Wholesome fellowship	Bad company	Good friends, church						
	Harmony with past	Unresolved personal pain	Inner healing, prayer						
	Confidence, faith	Anxiety, depression	Reassurance, support						
	Financial security	Economic problems	Contentment, giving						
	Stability	Transition, stress	Concern, acceptance						
Spirit (pneumo)	Union with God	Separation from God	Reconciliation through Christ						
Spiritua1	Harmony with God	Conflict with God	Spiritual guidance						
	Obedience	Rebellion	Yieldedness, mercy						
	Understanding	Ignorance	Bible study, teaching						
	Spiritual clarity, vision	Spiritual confusion	Prayer and fasting						
	Moral virtue	Hypocrisy, guilt	Wisdom, forgiveness						
	Peace (shalom)	Spiritual torment, fear	Consecration, deliverance						
	Perennial joy	Emptiness, vanity	Infilling with the Holy Spirit						
	Patience	Frustration	Building faith						
	Spiritual vitality	Struggle, weakness	Empowerment by the Holy Spirit						
	Optimism, hope	Discouragement, hopelessness	Encouragement, inspiration						
	Praise, worship	Intercessory burdens	Share, release burdens						
	Receiving ministry	Ministry to others (agape)*	Priorities, "pruning"						

Fatigue and lowered resistance occur when Energy In < Energy Out. Intervention is directed toward restoring positive balance, wholeness and integrity. *The object is to attain a positive energy balance that enables an individual to give consistently more to others than they take.

Automobile analogy

- Let's take your car as an example and say you got it new
 - You take possession, learn to drive it, move your stuff in, go places, carry people around, accumulate memories...
- It has a specific style, capabilities, and needs
 - Some are strengths, some weaknesses
 - Some are universal to all cars, some unique to yours
- If you take good care of it, it should serve you well for years
 - If not, it will cause trouble and break down
 - Keep it clean, don't overload it with passengers or baggage, drive carefully, watch the brakes and accelerator, use the right fuel, read the Owner's Manual, change the oil, keep up with maintenance, repair it in a timely way, you get the picture...

Cars:



Which one are you?



Genetics – What God gives

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. Psalm 139.14

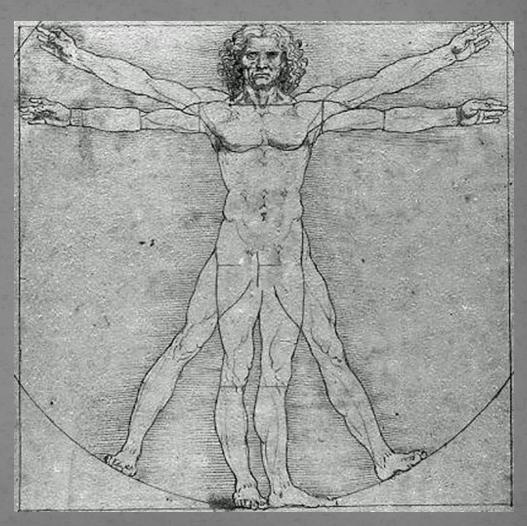
- We are created in His Image ... imagine that ...
- Our bodies come equipped with absolutely amazing capabilities in our brains, sensory and nervous systems, heart and lungs, blood, digestion, immunity, athleticism, reproductive natures, even our skin...
- The closer you study the human body, the more awestruck you are. As intricate as cars may be, they don't even come close to the incredible makeup of our bodies.

DNA – inner and outer space



Taking Inventory

- Who are you?
- How were you constructed and why?
- What particular capabilities have you been given?



Whose body is it?

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God?

You are not your own...

1 Corinthians 6:19



Environment - What we do

- What shape are you in now?
- Are you taking good care of yourself?
- What roles do nutrition, exercise, moral living play?
- Who could help you be a better steward of your body?
- What should you do if your body isn't working right?
- What role does Jesus have for health care
 - professionals?
 - Luke
 - Good Samaritan
 - Community Health?

Who is the greatest?

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt:

"Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.'

"But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 18:9-14

The Ten Commandments

- Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- 2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven images.
- 3. Thou shalt not take the Lord's name in vain.
- 4. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.

- 5.Honor thy Father and thy Mother
- 6. Thou shalt not kill.
- 7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- 8. Thou shalt not steal.
- 9. Thou shalt not bear false witness.
- 10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, wife or possessions.

The "Seven Deadly Sins"

Universal human problems that affect Body, Soul, Spirit

- **1. Pride** (*AKA* **Vanity**) excessive belief in one's own abilities. It has been called the sin from which all others arise.
- 2. Envy the desire for others' traits, status, abilities, or situation.
- **3. Gluttony** an inordinate desire to consume more than that which one requires.
- **4. Lust** an inordinate craving for the pleasures of the body.
- **5. Anger** (*AKA* **Wrath**) manifested in the individual who spurns love and opts instead for fury.
- **6. Greed** (*AKA* **Avarice** or **Covetousness**) the desire for material wealth or gain, ignoring the realm of the spiritual.
- **7. Sloth** the avoidance of physical or spiritual work.

BMI – Body Mass Index

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Source: Adapted from Clinical Guidelines on the Identification, Evaluation, and Treatment of Overweight and Obesity in Adults: The Evidence Report

Sexual Abuse and Addiction



when "just saying no" isn't enough...

Addictive Behaviors

"Compulsive engagement in rewarding behavior, despite adverse consequences" – replacements for God's comfort

- Overeating, especially carbohydrates
- Substance abuse = *pharmakeia*, a form of witchcraft
 - Alcohol carousing and drunkenness
 - Nicotine smoking, chewing, vapors
 - Drugs (street or prescription)
 - Narcotics, sedatives, cocaine, uppers, hallucinogens
- Extramarital sex imagined or acted out
- Thrill seeking and Gambling adrenaline or endorphin 'high' pursuit of unearned wealth

The Opioid Crisis



"the #1 killer of Americans under 50"

The Addictive Nature of Sin

Built into our human nature, and nature can't get it out

- For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.
- For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.
- Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

The Gospel Overcomes Power of Sin

His divine nature sets us free from fleshly bondage

- Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.
- There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.
- For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do.

Romans 7.25-8.

Trinity Offer: "Adoption Option"



Note Central Triquetra

• [Jesus] came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.

John 1.11

 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.
 Romans 8.19

Twelve Steps of Recovery

- 1. We admitted we were powerless over our sin.
- **2.** Came to believe that God could save us.
- 3. Decided to turn our will and our lives over to Him.
- 4. Made a searching moral inventory of ourselves.
- 5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
- 6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
- **7.** Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
- **8.** Made a list of all persons we had harmed and became willing to make amends to them all.
- 9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
- 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
- 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these Steps, we tried to carry this message to other people and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

8 Principles (compare with 12 Steps) Celebrate Recovery, based on the Beatitudes

1. Realize I'm not God; I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and that my life is unmanageable. (Step 1)

"Happy are those who know that they are spiritually poor."

- **2.** Earnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him and that He has the power to help me recover. (Step 2) "Happy are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."
- **3.** Consciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control. (Step 3)

"Happy are the meek."

The 8 Principles (cont.)

Actively participating in God's process of sanctification

- **4.** Openly examine and confess my faults to myself, to God, and to someone I trust. (Steps 4 and 5)

 "Happy are the pure in heart."
- 5. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others. Voluntarily submit to any and all changes God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects. (Steps 6 and 7)

"Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires"

6. Evaluate all my relationships. Offer forgiveness to those who have hurt me and make amends for harm I've done to others when possible, except when to do so would harm them or others. (Steps 8 and 9)

"Happy are the merciful" - "Happy are the peacemakers"

The 8 Principles (cont.)

A life of humbly living out and sharing the Good News

- 7. Reserve a daily time with God for self-examination, Bible reading, and prayer in order to know God and His will for my life and to gain the power to follow His will. (Steps 10 and 11)
- **8.** Yield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and my words. (Step 12)

"Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires."

http://www.celebraterecovery.com/resources/cr-tools/8principles

Seeking Wisdom

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

James 1.5

• We all need wisdom about:

When to get up, when and where to work, when to rest, who to associate with, what to eat, when to fast, how to stay active, how to maintain boundaries, how to love one another, how to get back on track...

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Brokenness opens us up to God

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!... The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Psalm51.1-2,17

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up supplications and prayers, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although He was a son, he learned obedience through what He suffered.

Hebrews 5.7-8

Break our hearts open to hear your voice, O LORD!

Suffering with Him is the Key

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12.11

- Our iniquity, sin, and transgression
 Step work, an ongoing "fearless moral inventory"
- Our vulnerabilities and weaknesses Where does sin take hold? Our exposed places, ACEs, secrets and other compartmentalized places
- Our persecutions for righteousness Watch out that you don't overestimate this one...

Hearing His Voice

Cry out and listen

Through prayer and praise, reading the Word of God, studying devotionals, doing Steps, asking the Spirit of God for wisdom and then hearing Him in the *rhema* of the Word and the still small voice of Now I AM.

Add obedience to knowledge

Ask for "when" along with "what" Seek confirmational counsel. Avoid procrastination by following Mary's command: Whatever He says to you, do it!

John 2.5



Let's face it...

- Everyone is a hot mess

 Definition of "hot mess": When someone's thoughts or appearance are fragmented or in a state of disarray but they maintain an undeniable attractiveness or beauty.
- Now what do we do?
 How about spending some serious 6-R time with God?



Two Roads

Road to Hell

- Paved with good intentions
- but also paved with...



EXCUSES

Road to Heaven

- Paved with good intentions
- but also paved with...



OBEDIENCE

Selected References

Reading for intentional living, devotions, journaling

- Holy Bible goo.gl/1DvqxD
 I'm currently appreciating the ESV Study Bible
- Daily Light on the Daily Path Bagster family goo.gl/okoA9N A timeless devotional from the 1800s, all Scripture
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- Men, Women, and Relationships Dr. John Gray
 Men and women are different... there's no denying it. goo.gl/qSRvmV
- Between Parent and Child Dr. Haim Ginnot goo.gl/hRNU7n Bestselling classic showing how parenting is a skill that can be learned.
- Parenting Adolescents Kevin Huggins goo.gl/owo81v More to parenting adolescents than laying down God-honoring rules.

The Bottom Line



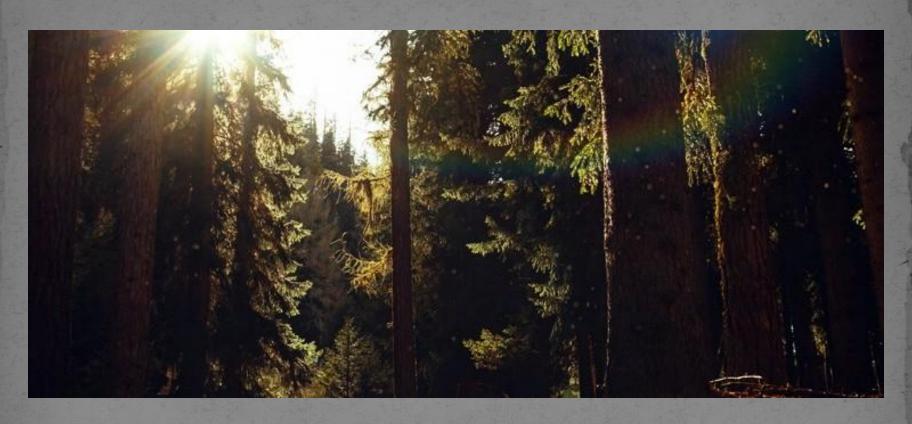
Jesus - the same yesterday, today, and forever...

Hebrews 13.8

Questions?



Shalom!



Literally meaning *peace*, referring to God's peace that passes understanding, shalom says both hello and goodbye at the same time, which is Now.