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# The Way Back to Better

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### 1. Your life is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 1:26-27 (NIV)** Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness..." So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

**Genesis 2:7 (NIV)** Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

**Psalms 86:15 (NIV)** But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

**Ephesians 2:4-5 (NIV)** But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

**Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)** "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

**Jeremiah 1:5 (NIV)** Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.

**Psalms 139:13-14 (TLB)** You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit them together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! It is amazing to think about. Your workmanship is marvelous—and how well I know it.

**Romans 14:12 (TPT)** Therefore, each one must answer for himself and give a personal account of his own life before God.

**2 Corinthians 5:10 (AMP)** For we [believers will be called to account and] must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be repaid for what has been done in the body, whether good or bad [that is, each will be held responsible for his actions, purposes, goals, motives—the use or misuse of his time, opportunities and abilities].

**1 Peter 4:5 (NIV)** But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

## 2. Recovery requires \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ to ownership.

**1 Samuel 15:12-15 (TLB)** Early the next morning he went out to find Saul. Someone said that he had gone to Mount Carmel to erect a monument to himself and had then gone on to Gilgal. When Samuel finally found him, Saul greeted him cheerfully. "Hello there," he said. "Well, I have carried out the Lord's command!" "Then what was all the bleating of sheep and lowing of oxen I heard?" Samuel demanded. "It's true that the army spared the best of the sheep and oxen," Saul admitted, "but they are going to sacrifice them to the Lord your God; and we have destroyed everything else."

**1 Samuel 15:19-21 (TLB)** Then why didn't you obey the Lord? Why did you rush for the loot and do exactly what God said not to?" "But I have obeyed the Lord," Saul insisted. "I did what he told me to; and I brought King Agag but killed everyone else. And it was only when my troops demanded it that I let them keep the best of the sheep and oxen and loot to sacrifice to the Lord."

**Psalms 51:1-3 (NIV)** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

**Psalms 32:1-2 (TPT)** How happy and fulfilled are those whose rebellion has been forgiven, those whose sins are covered by blood. How blessed and relieved are those who have confessed their corruption to God! For he wipes their slates clean and removes hypocrisy from their hearts.

**James 4:6 (NIV)** But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

**James 4:10 (NIV)** Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

## 3. Recovery requires \_\_\_\_\_ of your \_\_\_\_\_.

**Mark 10:46-52 (NIV)** Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

**James 4:8 (TLB)** And when you draw close to God, God will draw close to you...

**John 6:37 (TPT)** ...All who come to me, I will embrace and will never turn them away.