# **Supporting Scriptures**

But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them rubbish so that I may gain Christ. Philippians 3:7-8

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, <u>but be transformed by</u> <u>the renewing of your mind</u>. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:2

We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive <u>every</u> thought to make it obedient to Christ. 2 Corinthians 10:5-6

But godliness is a source of great gain when accompanied by contentment. 1 Timothy 6:6

I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through Him who gives me strength. Philippians 4: 10-13

Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, <sup>18</sup> yet I will rejoice in the LORD. I will be joyful in God my Savior. <sup>19</sup> The Sovereign LORD is my strength. Habakkuk 3: 17-19

They triumphed over him by the Blood of the Lamb and by the <u>word of their testimony</u>. Revelation 12:11

He brought them out of darkness, the utter darkness, and broke away their chains. Psalm 107:14

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18

And we know that in <u>all</u> things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will <u>carry it on to</u> <u>completion</u> until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort others in their trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. 2 Corinthians 1:3-



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever. <sup>2</sup>Has the Lord redeemed you? Then speak out! Tell others he has redeemed you from your enemies. - <sup>42</sup>The godly will see these things and be glad, while the wicked are struck silent. <sup>43</sup>Those who are wise will take all this to heart; they will see in our history the faithful love of the Lord. Psalm 107:1-2; 42-43 (NLT)

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. <sup>2</sup> Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story— Psalm 107:1-2a (NIV)

### <u>Redeemed</u> =

"to buy back" "to pay a ransom" "to purchase and claim as one's own"

Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, <sup>20</sup> for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. I Corinthians 6:19-20 (NLT)

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. <sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. Titus 2:11-14 (NIV)

God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. <sup>6</sup> So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son. <sup>7</sup> He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. <sup>8</sup> He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding.

Ephesians 1:5-8 (NLT)

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### January 6, 2019 - THE HEART OF GOD

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many. Matthew 20:28 (NLT)

- Restoration is a PARTNERSHIP between God and His PEOPLE.
- Restoration is not an EVENT but a LIFESTYLE.
- Restoration is the work of restoring God's ETERNAL PURPOSE in our lives.

#### January 13, 2019 - THE HEART OF A RESTORER

Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. <sup>2</sup> Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:1-2 (NIV)

Passive Indifference	+	Painful Insensitivity
Purposeful Intervention		
A r	estorer intervenes by	•••

LIFTING up. Galatians 6:1 HOLDING up. Galatians 6:2 BUILDING up. Galatians 6:5-6

The goal in restoration is not PUNISHMENT; the goal is HEALING.

### January 20, 2019 - HOPE FOR THE BROKEN

Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. <sup>8</sup>Oh, give me back my joy again; You have broken me—now let me rejoice. <sup>9</sup>Don't keep looking at my sins. <u>Remove</u> the stain of my guilt. <sup>10</sup>Create in me a clean heart, O God. <u>Renew</u> a loyal spirit within me. <sup>11</sup>Do not banish me from Your presence, and don't take Your Holy Spirit from me. <sup>12</sup><u>Restore</u> to me the joy of Your salvation, and make me willing to obey You. <sup>13</sup>Then I will teach Your ways to rebels, and they will return to You. Psalm 51:7-13 (NLT)

True repentance occurs whenever a person due to the knowledge of their sin, turns away from that sin with sorrow, and turns toward God in joy.

## 3 basics of true repentance: 1. CONVICTION 2. CONTRITION 3. COMMITMENT

(I am wrong)

(I am sorry) (I am resolved)

### Hope for the broken and contrite:

- My SIN is not too BIG for God's grace.
- I am who GOD says I am, not what I have DONE.
- I cannot change my PAST, but JESUS can change my FUTURE.

### January 27 - SAYING GOODBYE TO THE PAST

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. II Corinthians 13:11 (NIV)

- The work of God in my life is always accompanied with the presence of JOY.
- Satan often attacks the gift of JOY in my life by using my PAST.

### Unproductive HABITS - Unsettled MEMORIES - Unprocessed PAIN -Unchecked THOUGHTS - Undermining INFLUENCES

### February 03, 2019 - RENEWING THE MIND

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. <sup>4</sup> The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.<sup>5</sup> We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. II Corinthians 10:3-5 (NIV)

- I will engage in the BATTLE of the MIND.
- I will take CAPTIVE every thought that is contrary to God's WORD.
  - I will identify and make OBEDIENT every thought to CHRIST.
- I will practice DELIGHTING in and MEDITATING on God's Word.

### February 10, 2019 - REVIVING THE HEART

Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. Proverbs 4:23 (NLT)

- My heart can lead me in the wrong DIRECTION.
  - My heart can be MANIPULATED.
  - My heart can bring honor to GOD.

"My PAST is Satan's preferred workshop, and negative EMOTIONS are his tools of choice." How do I guard my heart? IDENTIFY, TEST, TRANSFORM the feeling.

### February 17, 2019 – REFRESHING THE SOUL

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul... Psalm 19:7a (NIV)

- God promises TIMES of refreshing.
- God provides PEOPLE of refreshing.
- God speaks WORDS of refreshing.

A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)