# How to Live Through A Bad Day #5

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**Hebrews 12:2 The Message.** Keep your eyes on Jesus, who both began and finished this race we're in. <u>Study how he did it. Because he never lost sight of where he was headed</u>—that exhilarating finish in and with God—he could put up with anything along the way: Cross, shame, whatever. And now he's there, in the place of honor, right alongside God.

**John 19:28–29 NIV84.** Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." <sup>29</sup> A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips.

Lesson #5: BE HUMAN ENOUGH TO \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 3:10** NLT. *He replied, "I heard you walking in the garden, so I hid. I was afraid because I was naked."* 

#### **ROAD BLOCKS TO BEING REAL**

## ✓ THE FEAR OF BEING \_\_\_\_\_.

**Psalm 32:3–5 The Message.** When I kept it all inside, my bones turned to powder, my words became daylong groans. <sup>4</sup> The pressure never let up; all the juices of my life dried up. <sup>5</sup> Then I let it all out; I said, "I'll make a clean breast of my failures to GOD." Suddenly the pressure was gone— my guilt dissolved, my sin disappeared.

✓ THE FEAR OF BEING \_\_\_\_\_.

John 12:43 NLT. For they loved human praise more than the praise of God.

**Psalm 139:14** NLT. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.

## ✓ THE FEAR OF BEING \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**2** Corinthians 4:2 The Message. We refuse to wear masks and play games. We don't maneuver and manipulate behind the scenes. And we don't twist God's Word to suit ourselves. Rather, we keep everything we do and say out in the open, the whole truth on display, so that those who want to can see and judge for themselves in the presence of God.

**1 John 1:7** NLT. But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.

## FOUR DECISIONS TO BECOME MORE TRANSPARENT

1. ESTABLISH A \_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Church is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ephesians 2:20** NLT. Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself.

2. ENACT A \_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Church is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ephesians 4:16** NLT. *He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.* 

### 3. ENLIST AN \_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Church is a \_\_\_\_\_.

Luke 12:32 NLT. "So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom."

### 4. EMBRACE BEING \_\_\_\_\_.

The Church is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ephesians 2:19 The Living Bible.** Now you are no longer strangers to God and foreigners to heaven, but you are members of God's very own family, citizens of God's country, and you belong in God's household with every other Christian.

I CAN BE ME WHEN I'M \_\_\_\_\_ TO THOSE WHO \_\_\_\_