



# **BROKENNESS**

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# OVERALL PURPOSE OF THIS SERIES ON LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES


To provide concepts and tools for effective leadership and management so that you can:

- Be more anointed to make a difference wherever you are.
- Use these material to facilitate the work of evangelism and end gospel poverty.



# GOSPEL POVERTY

Deprived of the opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel of Jesus Christ



**The greatest gift a person can receive is the  
opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel of  
Jesus Christ.**

*Being deprived of that opportunity is the greatest injustice*



# OBJECTIVES

- **1. Participants will grasp the blessings of brokenness.**
- **2. Participants will become aware of how God blessed Jacob.**
- **2. Participants will identify the steps when someone cried out in brokenness.**

# PASSAGE TO MEMORIZE

**Psalm 86:9-12**

**Teach me your way O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. I will praise you o Lord my God with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.**



# **BROKENNESS: GEN. 25: 26-32:32**

- **Natural leaders don't have it easy always.**
- **Jacob were wealthy, influential, he stirred things up.**
- **Jacob's leadership created great prosperity.**
- **Jacob seemed to have everything.**

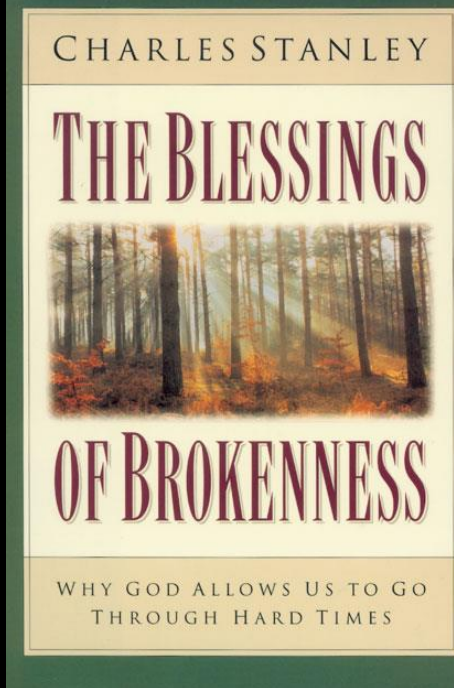
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# NATURAL LEADERS OFTEN NEED TO BE BROKEN

- Jacob the deceiving heel – catcher- became Israel, a prince with God, who purpose to serve God rather than himself.



# REMEMBER

- Every time you stand up under the weight of adversity, you are being prepared, as Jacob, to better serve God and lead people.

The ultimate goal of adversity is to increase our trust level in God by keeping us focused on His ability.



# ADVERSITY

THAT WHICH DOES NOT KILL ME POSTPONES THE INEVITABLE.



# **JACOB: BREAKING BEFORE BLESSING**

**Genesis 32: 24-32**

# **BREAKING BEFORE BLESSING**

- **Jacob broke physically when the angel dislocated his hip.**
- **He also broke emotionally- he told the truth about his name and character.**
- **From that moment on, Jacob began to fulfil his God-ordained destiny.**

“Our life is full of brokenness - broken relationships, broken promises, broken expectations. How can we live with that brokenness without becoming bitter and resentful except by returning again and again to God's faithful presence in our lives”

- Henry Nouwen

# GOD BLESSED JACOB BECAUSE:

Jacob was alone with God. All  
distractions had been removed. v.24.



# GOD BLESSED JACOB BECAUSE:

Jacob was hungry for God v.26.  
He desperately wanted to  
receive what God had for him.

# GOD BLESSED JACOB BECAUSE:

Jacob was broken by God vv 25-28. He allowed God to break him and change him.

# GOD BLESSED JACOB BECAUSE:

Jacob was honest with God v 27. He stepped pretending in order to let God work in his life.



**LEADERS CANNOT DO ANYTHING OF  
SIGNIFICANCE IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD UNTIL  
THEY **HUMBLE** THEMSELVES BEFORE GOD  
AND SEEK HIS FACE.**

A scenic landscape featuring snow-capped mountains in the background, a calm lake in the middle ground, and numerous large, white icebergs scattered across the foreground. The sun is setting behind the mountains, creating a bright glow and a reflection on the water. The sky is filled with soft, blue and white clouds. The overall atmosphere is serene and majestic.

**Humble yourselves in  
the sight of the Lord,  
and He shall lift you up.**

**James 4:10**

# IF WE SOW MERCY WE WILL REAP MERCY

CHURCH is my COLLEGE  
HEAVEN is my UNIVERSITY  
JESUS is my PRINCIPAL  
THE HOLY SPRIT is my TEACHER  
ANGLES are my CLASS MATES  
THE BIBLE is my STUDY BOOK  
TRIAL & TEMPTATION are my EXAMS  
WINNING SOULS are my ASSIGNMENTS  
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**BY FOCUSING ON GOD AND HIS WORD, FAITH  
HAS A CHANCE TO DEVELOP.**

**I AM TOO POSITIVE  
TO BE DOUBTFUL.  
TOO OPTIMISTIC  
TO BE FEARFUL.  
AND TOO DETERMINED  
TO BE **DEFEATED.****

# STORMS WILL COME BUT GOD IS THERE.

YOU SAY: "IT'S NOT WORTH IT"  
GOD SAYS: "IT WILL BE WORTH IT."  
*(Roman 8:28)*

YOU SAY: "I CAN'T FORGIVE MYSELF"  
GOD SAYS: "I WILL FORGIVE YOU."  
*(John 1:9 & Romans 8:1)*

YOU SAY: "I CAN'T MANAGE."  
GOD SAYS: "I WILL SUPPLY YOUR NEEDS."  
*(Phillippians 4:19)*

YOU SAY: "I'M AFRAID."  
GOD SAYS: "I HAVE NOT GIVEN YOU THE SPIRIT OF FEAR."  
*(1 Timothy 1:7)*

YOU SAY: "I'M WORRIED AND FRUSTRATED"  
GOD SAYS: "CAST ALL YOUR CARES ON ME,"  
*(1 Peter 5:7)*

YOU SAY: "I'M NOT SMART ENOUGH."  
GOD SAYS: "I GIVE YOU WISDOM."  
*(1 Corinthians 1:30)*

YOU SAY: "I FEEL ALONE."  
GOD SAYS: "I WILL NEVER LEAVE OR FORSAKE YOU."  
*(Hebrews 13:5)*



**SO WE HAVE NO REASON TO  
DOUBT OR LIMIT GOD.**

**THERE ARE 3 C'S IN LIFE:  
CHOICES, CHANCES, AND CHANGES.  
YOU MUST MAKE A CHOICE TO TAKE A  
CHANCE OR YOUR LIFE WILL NEVER CHANGE.**

# WHEN DAVID CRIED OUT IN BROKENNESS

- **God began to restore David to the man he once was, the man after His own heart.**
- **David leave a worthwhile legacy.**
- **In many ways David matured to a new level as a leader through his awful season of brokenness. 2 Sam. 18: 19-33.**

# **I WILL ENTER HIS GATES**

**I will enter His gates**

**With thanksgiving in my heart  
I will enter His courts**

**With praise  
I will say this is the day**

**That the Lord has made  
I will rejoice for  
He has made me glad**



No one has the right to hear the  
gospel twice, while there remains  
someone who has not heard it once.

Oswald J. Smith

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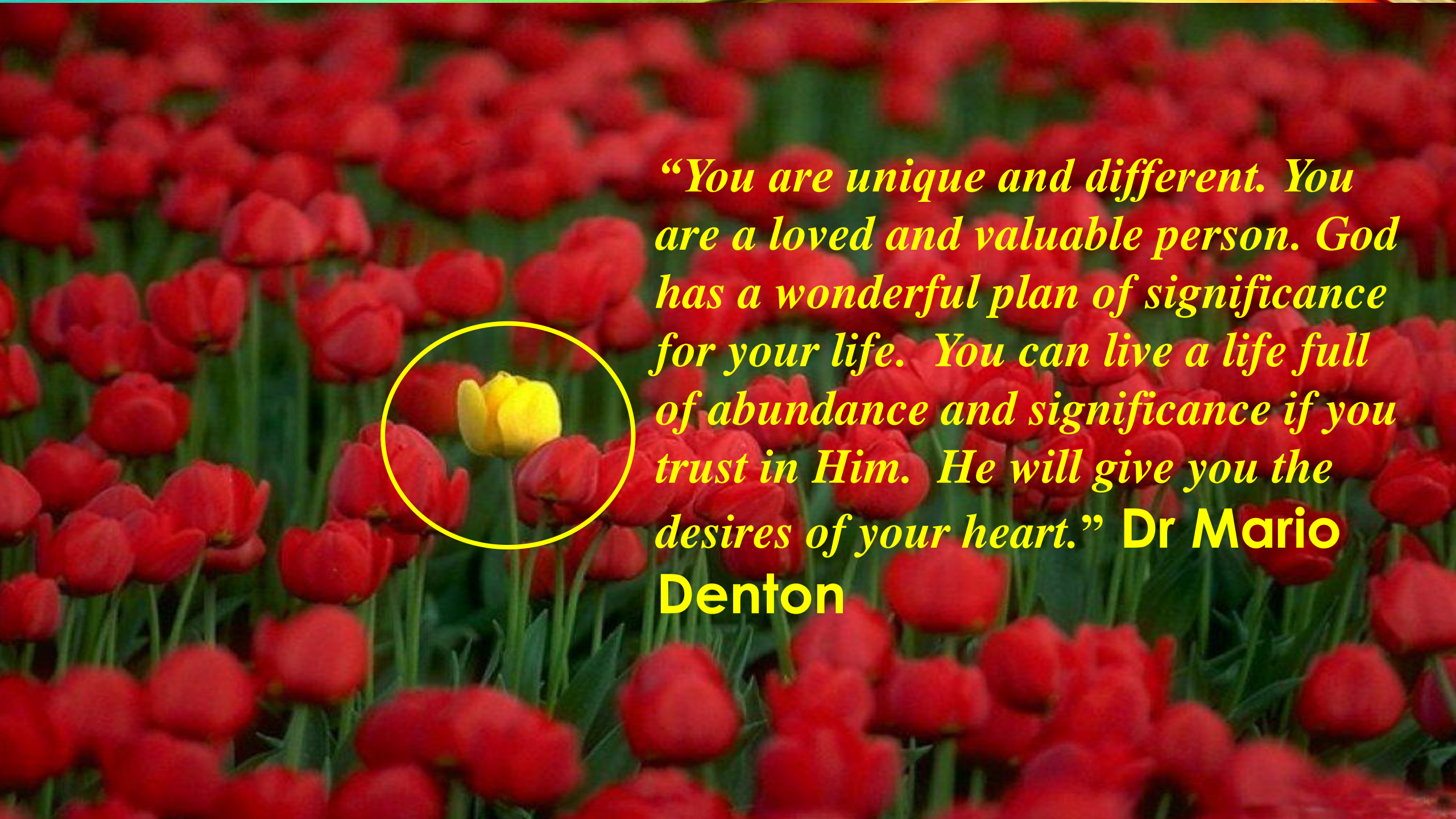
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*“You are unique and different. You are a loved and valuable person. God has a wonderful plan of significance for your life. You can live a life full of abundance and significance if you trust in Him. He will give you the desires of your heart.”* **Dr Mario Denton**

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