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IN REVIEW**

When the trials of life come: ask, remember, and look ahead.

When the trials of life come: our faith is tested and our desire is tempted.

Don't just hear it. Do it.

Start speaking the Imago Dei over people different than you.



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Life is in the power of the tongue.

Make plans to be part of God's plan.

My view of material wealth reveals the authenticity of my spiritual health.

Our spiritual life is always exposed during difficulty.



A living faith is a praying faith.



JAMES 5:13-18 ESV

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JAMES 5:19-20 ESV

My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, ²⁰ let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.



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In confession the break-through to community takes place. Sin demands to have a man by himself. The more isolated a person is, the more destructive will be the power of sin over him, and the more deeply he becomes involved in it, the more disastrous is his isolation. Sin wants to remain unknown. It shuns the light. In confession the light of the Gospel breaks into the darkness and seclusion of the heart.

- **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

Excerpts from *Life Together*



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He who is alone with his sin is utterly alone. We dare not be sinners. Many Christians are unthinkably horrified when a real sinner is suddenly discovered among the righteous. So we remain alone with our sin, living in lies and hypocrisy. You can hide nothing from God. The mask you wear before men will do you no good before Him. He wants to see you as you are, He wants to be gracious to you. You do not have to go on lying to yourself and your brothers, as if you were without sin; you can dare to be a sinner.

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CONFESSION

Double-mindedness

Sinful anger

Moral filth

Rampant wickedness

Polluted by the world

Favoritism

Judging others with evil thoughts

Dishonoring the poor

Reckless tongue

Bitter jealousy

Selfish ambition

Coveting

Quarrelsome spirit

Slandorous speech

Proud spirit

Friendship with the world

Spiritual adultery

Boastful arrogance

Selfish planning

Defrauding the poor

Self-indulgence

Murder

Trusting in riches

Grumbling

Swearing

Wandering spiritually





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