

Life's Healing Choices: The Beatitudes - Part 8

THE SHARING CHOICE

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Blessed are the peacemakers. Matthew 5:9

God was in Christ, offering peace and forgiveness to the people of this world. And he has given us the work of sharing his message about peace.
2 Corinthians 5:19 CEV

The Sharing Choice: I choose to yield myself to God to be used to bring the Good News to others, by both my example and by my words.

I pray that God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ will be kind to you and will bless you with peace! ... The Father is a merciful God, who always gives us comfort. He comforts us when we are in trouble, so that we can share that same comfort with others in trouble. We share in the terrible sufferings of Christ, but also in the wonderful comfort he gives.
2 Corinthians 1:2-4 CEV

What Can I Share To Help Others?

1. _____

Sometimes it takes a painful situation to make us change our ways.
Proverbs 20:30 GN

I am glad ... not because it hurt you but because the pain turned you to God... *2 Corinthians 7:9 LB*

To Help Others I Must Be Honest About...

• MY _____

We have spoken frankly to you; we have opened our hearts wide.
2 Corinthians 6:11 GN

• MY _____

Each of us must bear the faults and burdens of his own. For none of us is perfect! *Galatians 6:5 LB*

• MY _____

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinner--of whom I am the worst.
1 Timothy 1:15 NIV

• MY _____

I have the desire to do what is right, but I cannot carry it out... I keep on doing the evil I don't want to do. *Romans 7:18b-19 NIV*

• MY _____

I do admit that I have fears, that when I come you'll disappoint me and I'll disappoint you, and in frustration with each other everything will fall to pieces... *2 Corinthians 12:20 MSG*

2. _____

• I Learned _____

We were crushed and overwhelmed...and saw how powerless we were to help ourselves; but that was good, for then we put everything into the hands of God, who alone could save us... and he did help us!
2 Corinthians 1:8-10 LB

• I Learned _____

... It was the best thing that could have happened to me, for it taught me to pay attention to your laws! *Psalms 119:71 LB*

• I Learned _____

Remember that in God's plan men and women need each other.
1 Corinthians 11:11 LB

Two people are better than one...If one falls down, the other can help him up. But it is bad for the person who is alone and falls, because no one is there to help. *Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 NCV*

3. _____

We know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God... *Romans 8:28 NLT*

They intended it to harm me, but God intended it for good.
Genesis 50:20 NIV

4. _____

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. *1 Peter 3:15a NIV*

Who will you tell?