

Beauty through Brokenness

## **Description**

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. (Psalm 51:17)

I came across a journal entry I made in 2006. This was written in the midst of some physical pain that I was going through. After reading this journal entry, I felt that many of you could benefit from what God was doing in my heart on December 21st, 2006. I pray these words greatly encourage you!

Dear God, This morning I felt like I still wasn't getting "it". Yeah, I'm waking up in the same pain and in the same willingness to surrender, but something was lacking. So today I stopped, I rocked in my chair and listened until I knew what was missing. All this time I haven't understood my own brokenness.

Being broken for you physically is tough, but understanding it is even harder to do. Lord, I'm starting to get it. Being broken is like "black & white", nothing more than that... it's simple... it requires nothing, only a willingness to be simply abandoned to You and Your purpose through it.

The colors that come out of the brokenness... that's where the rubber meets the road. Will I wake up and give every moment to you? Will I give every desire to you? Every pain? Even my deepest longings?

The answer to all of these questions is a resounding, "YES!" I will be broken for You my Lord. May all the colors of being broken seep through my life to touch others around me. May my brokenness serve a greater purpose, as you simply peel away the layers of pride in me. May I trust in You to bring Psalm 51 alive in my spirit.

"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a

willing spirit, to sustain me." (Psalm 51:10-12)

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