

Beauty from Brokenness

## **Description**

And we know [with great confidence] that God [who is deeply concerned about us] causes all things to work together [as a plan] for good for those who love God, to those who are called according to His plan and purpose. (Romans 8:28, AMP)

I learned a valuable lesson this last week. I was still caught up in my brokenness from a family dilemma. My heart was broken and I was trying to put the pieces back together. I kept seeking the Lord and asking when this would heal completely. During one of my prayers, the Lord gently reminded me that beauty comes from brokenness. I was so busy trying to heal from the brokenness that I was missing the beauty of what God wanted to bring through it.

There on the beach while I was on a walk, this shell popped out at me. It's unlike any shell I've seen at the beach before. What really struck a cord with me is how beautiful this broken shell is. If this shell remained whole, unbroken, and flawless. I would have missed the inner beauty that it possessed. I couldn't see the inside spiral of the shell when the shell was whole. But because of it's broken nature a new beauty was revealed to me.

The beauty I saw in the shell is the very beauty that the Holy Spirit impressed on my heart and reminded me that God is working all things together for good (Romans 8:28). God is always at work even when we can't see the work that He is doing. We can trust Him and learn to embrace the beauty that He wants to bring through the darkest times of our lives.

What beauty is God bringing out in you? How can you better embrace your brokenness to display the beauty of God's work in your life?

Let's focus on what matters and remain pliable in the Father's hands. Always remember, "...that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ (Philippians 1:6, NKJV)." He's not finished with you yet!

Lord, Please help me to remember that the greatest beauty often comes from greatest brokenness. I pray that my every trial in life will only serve to develop a Christlike character in me. Please refine me daily and renew my heart that it may go steadfast after the things of You alone!

In God's Grip of Grace,

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