

## Relationship Crisis



### **Romans 12:18 New American Standard Bible**

If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all people.

### **John 16:33 New American Standard Bible**

These things I have spoken to you so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.

“Our natural tendency is to break away from God and to drift away to pursue our own pleasures. A student’s mind drifts from the teacher’s lecture, a spouse’s heart drifts during times of boredom or tension, a driver drifts into the next lane when daydreaming, a believer’s heart drifts when he assumes God isn’t on the throne any longer.”

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### **Psalms 51:10-12 New American Standard Bible**

Create in me a clean heart, God,  
And renew a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from Your presence,  
And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,  
And sustain me with a willing spirit.

### **Psalms 34:18-19 New American Standard Bible**

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted  
And saves those who are crushed in spirit.  
The afflictions of the righteous are many,  
But the Lord rescues him from them all.

## **Psalm 51:13 New International Version**

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,  
so that sinners will turn back to you.

### **What Have we Learned from our Storm?**

1. No one is immune to the storms of life. We need to have things in place BEFORE the storms hit us!
2. We need each other to weather the storms.
3. Don't fight the storm or try to dodge it. Stick close to the One who knows the way through. Own your part in the storm. There is MY part, THEIR part, & GOD's part. I can only change MY part. Don't wait for someone else to be the change - YOU be the change.
4. God has promised to be with us.  
**James 4:7-8 (NASB)**  
Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.  
Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.
5. People are not expendable - they are worth fighting for!

### **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

1. Jesus tells us we will have storms. Can you identify yours, whether it is friends, your past, family, marriage, finances, etc?
2. Do you have tools to help you get through these storms? If not, do you know how/where to get them?
3. Do you have relationships to help you through your storms?
4. Do you trust Jesus when He says, "Do not be dismayed, for I have overcome the world"?
5. Do you see a storm coming, or are you in the middle of a storm? Don't wait to get help!