



S P I R I T U A L   G R O W T H

# Brokeness

TAKEN FROM - "NANCY LEIGH DEMOSS"

Understanding Pride/Humility.  
Cultivating True Humility

B U R N I N G  
H E A R T S

# Brokeness

## MANIFESTATIONS OF PRIDE (ROOTED IN ARROGANCE AND/OR INSECURITY)

- A focus on the failures of others
- Self-Righteousness; a critical fault-finding spirit... look at your own life/failures with a telescope but others with a microscope
- Look down on others
- Independent; a self-sufficient spirit
- Maintain control; must have your way
- Must prove you are right
- Claim personal rights
- A demanding spirit
- Self-Protective of time, rights, reputation
- A desire to be served
- A desire to be a success
- A desire for self-advancement
- Driven to be recognized and appreciated; wounded when others are promoted and you are overlooked
- Think "the ministry is privileged to have me"
- Think of what you can do for God
- Feel confident in how much you know; impress people with your own knowledge of something
- Self-Conscious
- Keep people at arm's length
- Quick to blame others
- Unapproachable
- Defensive when criticized
- Concerned with being respectable
- Concerned about what others think
- Maintain image and protect reputation
- Difficulty sharing spiritual needs with others
- Difficulty moving at deep levels of grace, mercy, love
- Want to be sure no one finds out about your sin
- A hard time saying "I was wrong, will you forgive me?" wait for the other party to come and ask forgiveness in a conflict
- Deal in generalities when confessing sin
- Concerned about the consequences of your sin; remorseful for being caught
- Compare yourself with others and feel deserving of honor
- Blind to your true heart condition
- Don't think you have anything of which to repent
- Don't think you need revival (but think everybody else does)

## EVIDENCES OF HUMILITY (ROOTED IN AUTHENTIC BROKENNESS)

- Overwhelmed with your spiritual need
- Compassionate; have a forgiving spirit; look for the best in others
- Esteem others better than yourself
- A dependent spirit; willing to let others help
- Surrender control
- Willing to yield the right to be right
- Yield personal rights
- A generous/giving spirit
- Self-denying
- Motivated to serve and bless others
- A desire to be faithful to make others a success
- A desire to promote others.
- eager for others to get the credit; rejoice when others are promoted
- Thrilled to be used at all think "I don't deserve to serve in this ministry"
- Know that you have nothing to offer God
- Humbled by how much you have to learn; know that true wisdom is worked through humility
- Lose yourself as you focus on God and others
- Vulnerable; take the risk of loving intimately, risk being misunderstood
- Accept personal responsibility; can see where you were wrong
- Easy to be entreated/challenged/rebuked
- Receive criticism with a humbl, open heart
- Concerned with being real/genuine/authentic
- Know all that matters is what God knows
- Die to your own reputation
- Willing to be transparent with others
- Exhibit the fruit of the spirit; a safe place for someone in need.
- Willing to be exposed; know once broken, you have nothing to lose
- Quick to admit fault and seek forgiveness
- Deal in specifics when confessing sin
- Grieved over the root of your sin; see God's discipline as His love
- Compare yourself with the holiness of God and fee desperate for mercy
- Walk in the light; invite others to watch your blind spots
- A continual heart attitude toward repentance
- Continually sense your need for a fresh encounter with the Holy Spirit