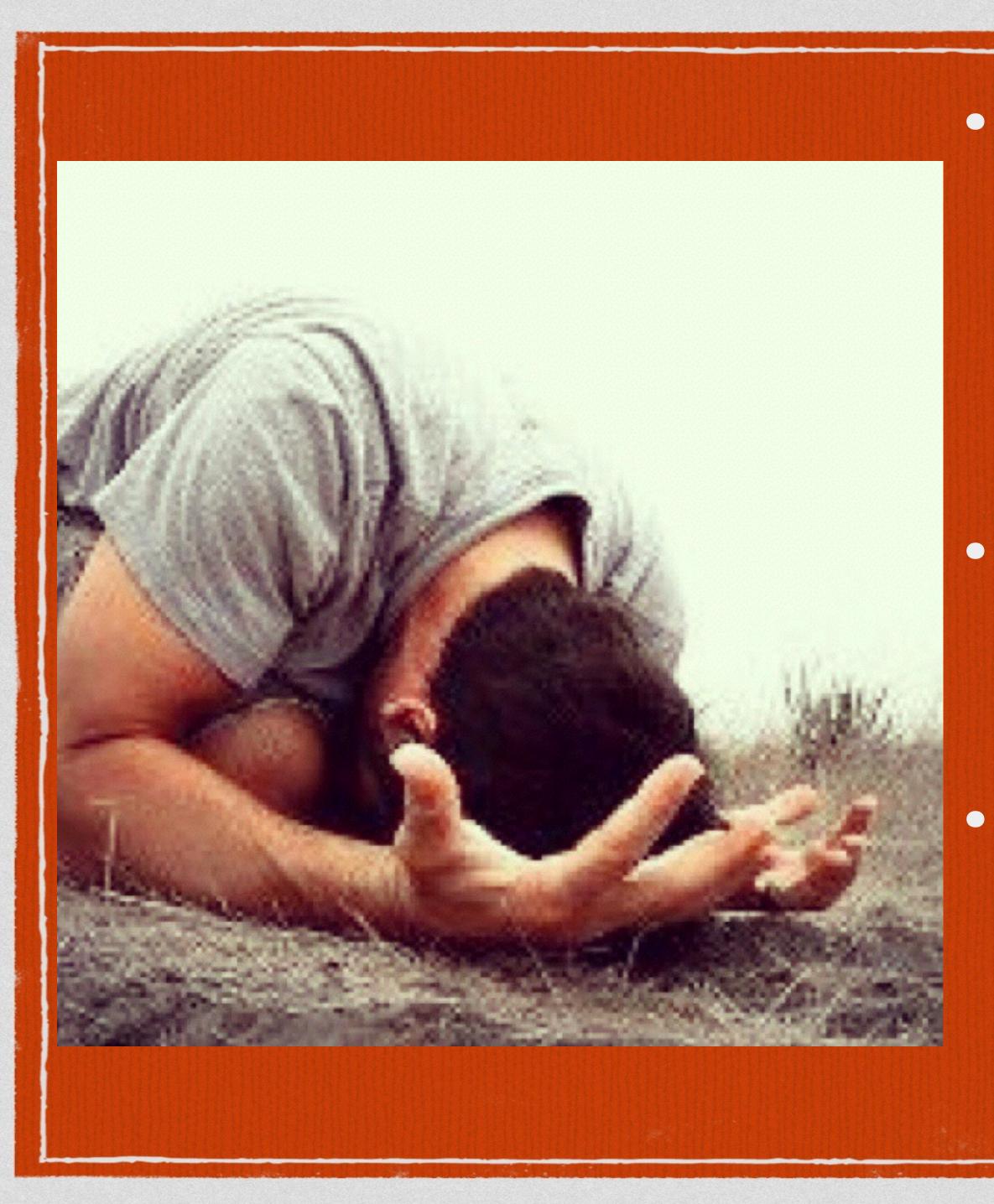




- God does not have limitations to His mercy. No matter how bad things appear, we can always go to Him with our cares. Heb. 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.
- So many times we feel we have done too much or gone too far to come to Him, but we must never forget how God feels about us. 1John 4:10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.
- However, our feelings of "going too far" from God is usually based on how people feel about us. Instead of letting go, we hold on to the life that pleases others rather than doing things God's way. Gal. 1:10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.



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- We must first, humble ourselves to God before we can truly lay our burdens at His feet. We must willingly admit our wrongs and earnestly desire to correct them at all costs. Prov. 28:25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.
- Preoccupying ourselves with others' opinions of us creates heavier burdens. God wants us to only care about what He thinks. John 3:30 He must increase, but I must decrease.
  - People's opinion of us is based on their opinions of themselves. So we should never allow the opinions of others to stop us from doing things God's way. Prov. 16:3 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.



- The enemy wants us to do things our way and exalt ourselves so that others will see us and glorify us. However, this behavior will always lead to hypocrisy. Matt. 6:1 Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.
- When we desire to show others the good in our lives, we will attempt to hide the bad. You can't show one without showing the other. Prov. 3:21 My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:
- It's best to not show anything and allow God to direct us. When we seek to prove ourselves to God and not man, He will exalt us in due time. Psa. 26:2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.





We have never gone so far from God that we can't get it right. No matter what we have done or how bad our situation looks, if we are willing to humble ourselves before Him and lay aside our pride, then God can take our cares and rectify any situation. Although we may have to bear the consequences of our actions, God is merciful and will never leave us. Some things we have to go through because of bad decisions, but once we decide to truly be obedient to God's plan and do things His way, then we can overcome the issues from those decisions and have peace going forward.

We cannot worry about what others think or how we look in the eyes of others. We must forsake the opinions of others and our predetermined identity of ourselves in order to please God and follow His plan. Pride must be forsaken if we want God to take our cares. He cares for us and He only wants what's best for us.



Psa. 115:11 Ye that fear the LOR their shield.

Psa. 115:12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.

Psa. 115:13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great.

Psa. 115:14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

Psa. 115:15 Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

## Psa. 115:11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he is their help and

