

GOD AND ORDINARY PEOPLE, LIKE US

“When God Turns Our
STUPIDIITY/MESS Into
Something Beautiful!”



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Question: What mess is staring you in the face and appears unsolvable or hopeless?

- Making a mess of things in life **doesn't require much** from us ...just a little stupidity!

Examples of our stupidity:

Not thinking before **speaking/answering**

Not questioning ourselves **before acting/doing**

Not accepting **what was spoken/shared**

- **Our way BACK** from our stupidity/mess can/will be a **long journey HOME** ...“doing it alone and my way”!

Finding Hope For Our Stupidity/Mess!

61 *The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is upon me, for the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed. ² He has sent me to tell those who mourn that the time of the LORD's favor has come, and with it, the day of God's anger against their enemies. ³ To all who mourn in Israel, he will give a crown of beauty for ashes, a joyous blessing instead of mourning, festive praise instead of despair. In their righteousness, they will be like great oaks that the LORD has planted for his own glory. ⁴ They will rebuild the ancient ruins, repairing cities destroyed long ago. They will revive them, though they have been deserted for many generations. Isaiah 61:1-4 (NLT)*

- Some of our stupidity/mess is going to **stay with us for a lifetime** ...it is called **REGRET!**

Question: How do we find **HOPE** on our way back home?

- 1) Listen and **believe the Good News** ...God's word!
- 2) Listen to **encouraging words and songs** ...they can serve as **comforting tools** to help mend our heart!
- 3) Hold onto the HOPE that **freedom is near** ...keep **looking and believing!**
- 4) Commit to start **walking in the Lord's favor** ...comfort will come when/where **you least expect!**
- 5) Believe this... what **seems to be destroyed**, can and will be rebuilt and **made new again!**

¹¹ *For I know the plans I have for you,” says the LORD. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. ¹² In those days when you pray, I will listen. Jeremiah 29:11-12 (NLT)*

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