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Recovery 12 Steps to Find Peace

Romans 7:15
Pt 4



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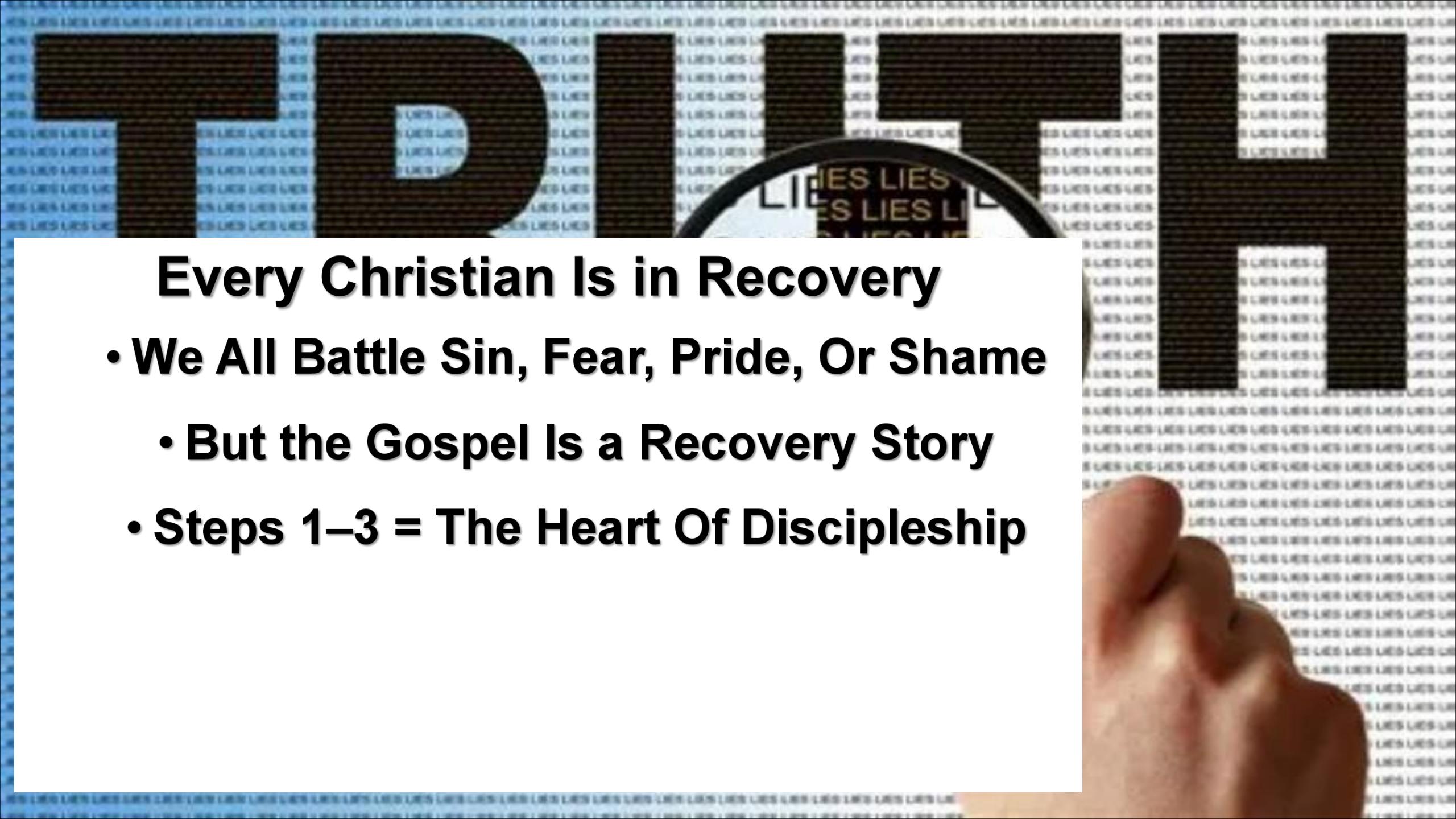


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Gimme Three Steps

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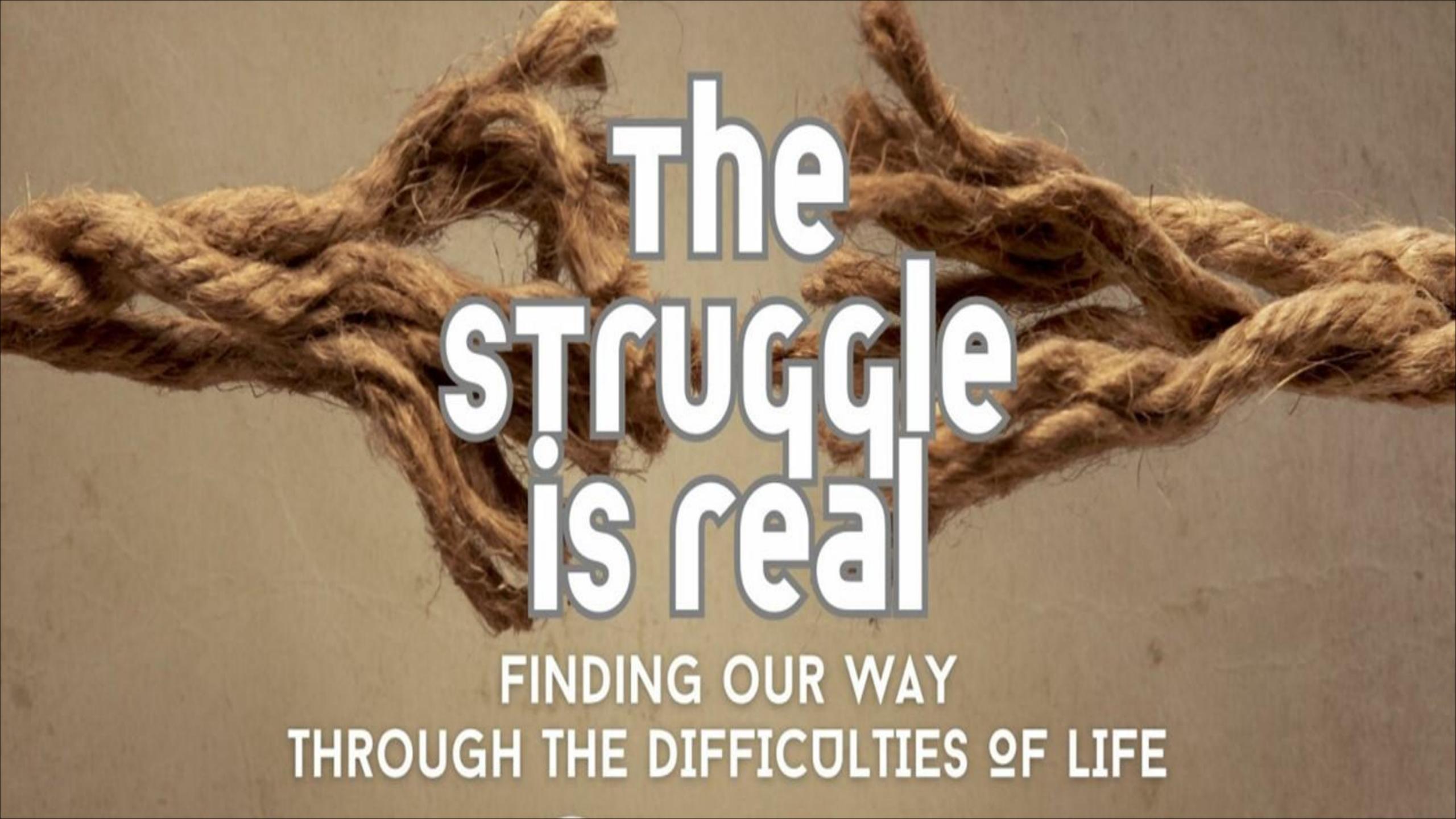
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**The Gospel In Three Steps:
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The STRUGGLE is real

FINDING OUR WAY
THROUGH THE DIFFICULTIES OF LIFE

Step 1: Admit Powerlessness

Romans 7:18

- *“For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out.”*

Romans 7:18 Amp

For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot perform it. [I have the intention and urge to do what is right, but no power to carry it out.]

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A hand reaches up from the bottom of a dark, greenish-blue ocean. The hand is positioned palm-up, with fingers slightly spread. In the background, a sunken shipwreck is visible, its metallic structures and debris partially submerged in the water. The scene is dimly lit, with light rays filtering down from the surface, creating a dramatic and mysterious atmosphere.

dreamtime

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- **We Cannot Fix Ourselves**
- **Denial Keeps Us Bound; Confession Sets Us Free**
 - **Weakness Is The Doorway To Grace**

**Admitting Weakness Is Not Defeat-
-It's The Beginning Of Freedom**

thequarium

The Drowning Man

***“We Can’t Thrash Our Way To Safety..
...We Must Cry For Help.”***

We Need To Connect To God’s Power.



“We came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.” Philippians 2:13

Philippians 2:13 Amp

13 [Not in your own strength] for it is God Who is all the while [a]effectually at work in you [energizing and creating in you the power and desire], both to will and to work for His good pleasure *and* satisfaction *and* delight.

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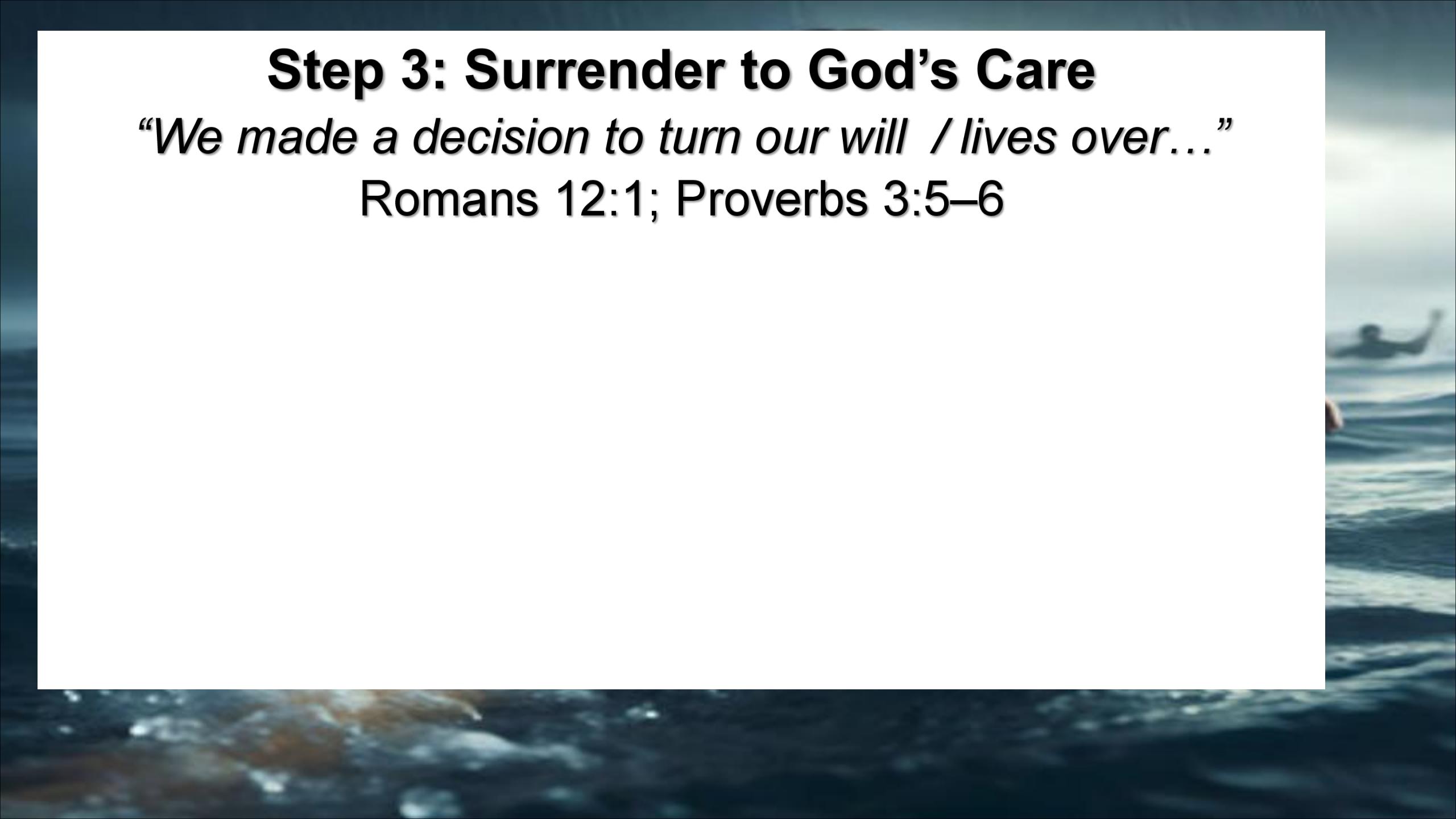
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 - **God's Care Is Safer Than Our Control**

“A parachute only works if you jump.”

A close-up photograph of a hand with dark, textured skin, possibly of African descent, holding a large, light-colored clay pot. The pot is being shaped on a pottery wheel, as evidenced by the circular marks on the dark, reflective surface of the wheel. The background is a soft-focus, warm-toned fabric.

being confident of
this very thing, that
He who has begun
a good work in
you will complete it
until the day of
Jesus Christ

Philippians 1:6



From Brokenness to Breakthrough

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- Step 1: I Can't**
- Step 2: God Can**
- Step 3: I Will Let Him**

“This Is Not Just Recovery—it’s The Gospel.”

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God Can't



I Surrender All

