

DANGEROUS PRAYERS

MESSAGE NOTES

Break My Heart

Sunday, September 17 | Tommy Duke
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“The Lord gave me this message: ‘I knew you before I formed you in your mother’s womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations.’” – Jeremiah 1:4-5

“My heart, my heart – I writhe in pain! My heart pounds within me! I cannot be still.” – Jeremiah 4:19

“My grief is beyond healing; my heart is broken. ... I hurt with the hurt of my people. I mourn and am overcome with grief.” – Jeremiah 8:18, 21

WHEN I PRAY FOR GOD TO BREAK MY HEART...

1. I AM _____ TO _____ WITH HIS.

“Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.” – Psalm 139:23-24

2. I AM _____ OF MY _____.

*“...When Moses had grown up, he went out to visit his own people, the Hebrews, and he saw how hard they were forced to work. During his visit, he saw an Egyptian beating one of his fellow Hebrews. After looking in all directions to make sure no one was watching, Moses killed the Egyptian and hid the body in the sand.”
– Exodus 2:11-12*

*“David asked the soldiers standing nearby, ‘What will a man get for killing this Philistine and ending his defiance of Israel? Who is this pagan Philistine anyway, that he is allowed to defy the armies of the living God?’ ... ‘Don’t worry about this Philistine,’ David told Saul. ‘I’ll go fight him!’”
– 1 Samuel 17:26, 32*

*“They said to me, ‘Things are not going well for those who returned to the province of Judah. They are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem has been torn down, and the gates have been destroyed by fire.’ When I heard this, I sat down and wept. In fact, for days I mourned, fasted, and prayed to the God of heaven.”
– Nehemiah 1:3-4*

3. I AM _____ TO _____.

“When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. He said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields.’”

– Matthew 9:36-38

“But as he came closer to Jerusalem and saw the city ahead, he began to weep. ‘How I wish today that you of all people would understand the way to peace...’” – Luke 19:41-42

“With Christ as my witness, I speak with utter truthfulness. My conscience and the Holy Spirit confirm it. My heart is filled with bitter sorrow and unending grief for my people, my Jewish brothers and sisters. I would be willing to be forever cursed – cut off from Christ! – if that would save them.”

– Romans 9:1-3

4. I AM GOING TO _____ AS MY HEART BREAKS OVER THAT WHICH BREAKS THE _____.

Memory Verse:

“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed.” – Psalm 34:18

IT’S BETTER TO HURT _____ THAN TO _____.

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize Psalm 34:18.
- Ask God to truly break my heart this week about that which breaks His heart.
- Pray for clarity on what I can do about that which breaks my heart.
- Sign me up for Fall Growth Group #_____.

*Join us again next Sunday, September 24, for the conclusion of our *Dangerous Prayers* teaching series. We’ll look at the final prayer in this series, “Make Me Bold.” Consider inviting a friend or family member to join us as we move from comfort to courage in our prayer life!



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