

FAULT LINES
Courageous – Part 3

ON TV: Picture of San Andreas Fault

ON TV: “If a man or woman sins unintentionally and that is made known, he is to bring and offer a goat.” Leviticus 4:28

ON TV: God expects us to deal with and face our faults.

ON TV: “23 *Search me, O God, and know my heart. Try me* and 24 *see if there’s any wicked way in me. And correct it. Lead me in your everlasting way.*” Psalm 139:23-24

ON TV/OUTLINE: “*Examine yourselves to see if your faith is genuine. Test yourselves. Surely you know that Jesus Christ is among you. If not, you have failed the test of genuine faith.*” 2 Corinthians 13:5

ON TV: “1 So now there is *no condemnation* for those who belong to Christ Jesus. 2 And because you *belong* to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has *freed you from the power of sin* that leads to death.” Romans 8:1

ON TV/OUTLINE: #1: RECOGNIZE our faults.

ON TV: “For by that one offering he forever made perfect those who are being made holy.” Hebrews 10:14

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ON TV: It’s FEAR!

ON TV/OUTLINE: “40 Some Pharisees who were with him heard him say this and asked, ‘What? Are we blind too?’ 41 Jesus said, ‘If you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin; but now that you claim you can see, your *guilt remains.*’” John 9:40-41

ON TV: “Healthy people don’t need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those *who know they are sinners.*” Mark 2:17

ON TV: What fault line are you ready to recognize and own?

ON TV/OUTLINE: #2: PRIORITIZE what God shows you.

ON TV: “Out of the *heart* of man comes evil thoughts, slanders, adulteries, fornications...” Mark 7:21

ON TV: God expose my fault line to me so I can **prioritize** getting it fixed.

ON TV: What we don’t repair, we repeat.

ON TV: We’ll ignore or pretend it’s not a fault line and then it just becomes a part of who we are.

ON TV: How does God point out faults in us?

ON TV: Who have you given permission to, to speak into your life?

ON TV: What kind of person should this be?

ON TV: Someone who loves Jesus and someone who loves you...in that order.

ON TV/OUTLINE: “Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ.” Philippians 3:8

ON TV/OUTLINE: God's goal for us is not leisure. It is LIKENESS.

ON TV: "Don't *copy the behavior* and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect." Romans 12:2

ON TV: God's goal is not to make us *feel better*. His goal is to help us *follow Him better*.

ON TV/OUTLINE: #3: God will take our fault line and turn it into a STRENGTH.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "And we know that God *causes all things to work together for good*, to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His purpose*." Romans 8:28

ON TV: "Think as Christ Jesus thought." Philippians 2:5

ON TV: "9 Each time he said, 'My grace is all you need. My *power works best in weakness*.' So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the *power of Christ can work through me*. 10 That's why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong." 2 Corinthians 12:9-10