



WHEN TRUTH FEELS RISKY

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Daniel 10

I looked up and saw a man dressed in linen clothing, with a belt of pure gold around his waist. His body looked like a precious gem. His face flashed like lightning, and his eyes flamed like torches. His arms and feet shone like polished bronze, and his voice roared like a vast multitude of people. Daniel 10:6

I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. ...his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. Revelation 1:14-15

Only I, Daniel, saw this vision. The men with me saw nothing, but they were suddenly terrified and ran away to hide. So I was left there all alone to see this amazing vision. My strength left me, my face grew deathly pale, and I felt very weak. Then I heard the man speak, and when I heard the sound of his voice, I fainted and lay there with my face to the ground. Daniel 10:8b-9

REMEMBER WHEN TRUTH FEELS RISKY

1) GOD CARES ABOUT YOU MORE THAN YOU DO.

Just then a hand touched me and lifted me, still trembling, to my hands and knees. And the man said to me, "Daniel, you are very precious to God, so listen carefully to what I have to say to you. Stand up, for I have been sent to you. When he said this to me, I stood up, still trembling. Daniel 10:10-11

2) GOD IS DOING MORE THAN YOU UNDERSTAND.

Then he said, "Don't be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day you began to pray for understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your request has been heard in heaven. I have come in answer to your prayer. Daniel 10:12

But for twenty-one days the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia blocked my way. Then Michael, one of the archangels, came to help me, and I left him there with the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia. Daniel 10:13

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Ephesians 6:12-13

3) GOD'S STRENGTH IS MADE PERFECT IN YOUR WEAKNESS.

...for my power is made perfect in weakness... For when I am weak, then I am strong. 2 Corinthians 12:9,11

MAIN IDEA: YOU'LL NEVER KNOW GOD'S STRENGTH UNTIL YOU'RE HONEST ABOUT YOUR WEAKNESS.

YOUR WEAKNESS IS THE INVITATION FOR HIS POWER.

How can someone like me, your servant, talk to you, my lord? My strength is gone, and I can hardly breathe." Then the one who looked like a man touched me again, and I felt my strength returning. Daniel 10:17-18

Don't be afraid, he said, for you are very precious to God. Peace! Be encouraged! Be strong! Daniel 10:19

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