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4 Dangerous Prayers: Part 2:

1. “Search my heart God, and show me if there is anything that is offensive to You.”
2. “Break me Lord, and remake me into the person You want me to be.”

“The sacrifice You desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject a broken and repentant heart, O God.”

Psalm 51:17 (NLT)

3. “Speak to me.”
4. “I’m fully yours Lord, send me to do whatever You want me to do.”

Dangerous Prayer #2: BREAK ME.

“The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.”

Psalm 51:17 (KJV)

1. Yikes...why would God want to *break* me?

“A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee’s house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. As she stood behind Him at His feet weeping, she began to wet His feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.” Luke 7:37-38 (NIV)

“To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: ‘Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’ But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’ I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’” Luke 18:9-14 (NIV)

“Don’t fear anything except the Lord of the armies of heaven! If you fear Him, you need fear nothing else.”

Isaiah 8:13 (TLB)

2. What does brokenness look like?

“Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:10 (KJV)

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...”

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

- Barn Horse vs Bucking Bronco

- “Kintsugi” – art of repairing broken pottery with gold

3. How do I allow God to break me?

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up."

James 4:10 (NIV)

"Then He [Jesus] said to the crowd, 'If any of you wants to be My follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow Me.'"

Luke 9:23 (NLT)

"More"

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Break my heart and change my mind.
Cut me loose from ties that bind.
Lead me as I follow You.
Give me strength to follow through.
Holy Spirit fill me up.
Gently overflow my cup.
Touch my eyes and let me see.
Me in You and You in me.
Oh more, more, I want to be more like Jesus.
More of Jesus less of me.
By His power I will be.
Like a flower in the spring.
Brand new life in everything.
That's my prayer for all of us today...
that we would all be
more like Jesus and less like me (us).

Keep the Conversation going...

Small Group Discussion Questions

1. What is holding you back from letting God break your heart?
2. Read Romans 12:1-2 and Psalms 51:10-12. What are some ways to renew your mind and turn away from the patterns of this world?
3. How do you become more like Jesus and less like you?