

THE GREATEST RISK YOU'LL EVER TAKE

Olympic Moments: Making Courageous Decisions At The Most Crucial Time

Part 2

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“With that kind of hope to excite us, nothing holds us back. Unlike Moses, we have nothing to hide. Everything is out in the open with us. He wore a veil so the children of Israel wouldn’t notice that the glory was fading away—and they didn’t notice. They didn’t notice it then and they don’t notice it now, don’t notice that there’s nothing left behind that veil. Even today when the proclamations of that old, bankrupt government are read out, they can’t see through it. Only Christ can get rid of the veil so they can see for themselves that there’s nothing there. Whenever, though, they turn to face God as Moses did, God removes the veil and there they are—face-to-face! They suddenly recognize that God is a living, personal presence, not a piece of chiseled stone. And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old, constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We’re free of it! All of us! Nothing between us and God, our faces shining with the brightness of His face. And so we are transfigured much like the Messiah, our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like Him.” 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 (MSG)

1. UNVEIL MY STRUGGLES

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- **You Have To Risk Rejection To Find Acceptance**

2. UNVEIL MY HEART

“Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.” Genesis 2:25 (NIV)

“Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.” Genesis 3:7 (NIV)

- **You Have To Risk Awkwardness To Find True Unity**
- **You Have To Risk Conflict To Find True Intimacy**

3. UNVEIL MY FEARS

“Love contains no fear—indeed fully-developed love expels every particle of fear, for fear always contains some of the torture of feeling guilty. This means that the man who lives in fear has not yet had his love perfected.” 1 John 4:18 (PHILLIPS)

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“And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and gave up His spirit. And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth shook and the rocks were split.” Matthew 27:50-51 (NASB)