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## Dealing with Rejection and Failure

Luke 10:38-42, Psalm 139

### Good Days and Bad Days

Luke 10:38-42

Am I working \_\_\_\_\_ God,  
\_\_\_\_\_ God, or \_\_\_\_\_ God?

### Standing Firm During Rejection and Failure

Psalm 139, Ephesians 2:10, 1 John 4:7-21, Jeremiah 1:4-5, Ephesians 3:16-19

- ▶ God is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ God can't leave \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ God is still \_\_\_\_\_ when life is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ Our value is not found in \_\_\_\_\_,  
but \_\_\_\_\_ we are.

### How To Walk Confidently In God's Presence

Psalm 139, John 15:1-17, Romans 8:28-39, 1 John 2:3-6, Romans 8:5-7

- ▶ Follow \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ Accept how Dad \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ Remember how Dad \_\_\_\_\_.

## Growth Group Homework

\_\_\_\_\_ *For the week of March 17, 2019* \_\_\_\_\_

**QUICK REVIEW** - Looking back over your sermon notes, which particular point or passage of Scripture most challenged, confused or caught your attention?

### MY STORY

1. God has designed and given us a variety of responsibilities, opportunities, or abilities that affirm our self worth. Without worrying about feeling “braggadocios,” what are the top two or three things you do that help affirm your sense of personal value?

Do you have any idea when you might cross the line in putting too much value in any of your top three?

2. We heard Pastor Tom say this weekend that “God can’t leave us alone.” Do you ever feel like God has pushed you off or ignored you, later to realize He was there more than you thought?

### DIGGING DEEPER

1. How do the following verses help us affirm and balance “practicing the presence of God” in the midst of life’s responsibilities and tasks as we saw with Mary and Martha?

**Philippians 3:7-12**

**Ephesians 2:10**

**James 1:22-25**

Which of these verses is most important for you to remember when it comes to “practicing the presence” of God and why?

2. Imagine for a moment what it would feel like to lose an important skill, ability, or significant role. Part of dealing with this kind of loss is remembering “who we are in Christ” and not just seeing our significance in our skills and abilities. How would the following verses help you process that loss and further build your worth and identity in Christ no matter what life throws at you?

**2 Corinthians 5:17**

**Colossians 2:9-10**

**Philippians 4:6-7**

3. One of our challenges in the midst of loss, failure or rejection is losing sight of who God is and connection with Him. Can you think of anything in your life that can be a roadblock to putting into action David’s advice in **Psalms 46:10-11** (note – “being still” does not necessarily mean not being busy)?

### TAKING IT HOME

Looking back at this week’s teaching and study, what is most important for you to remember when it comes to practicing the presence of God?

Are there any distractions you need to cut out or steps you need to take to stay connected to God?