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## 2. Be real about \_\_\_\_\_.

2 Corinthians 12:8 (RSV) *Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me;*

<sup>9</sup> *but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.*

<sup>10</sup> *For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; for when I am weak, then I am strong.*

*Our strengths are instructional for people,  
But our weaknesses give people \_\_\_\_\_.*

## 3. Use \_\_\_\_\_.

Proverbs 2:11 **Discretion** will **protect** you, and understanding will guard you.

Proverbs 16:28 *A perverse man stirs up dissension, and a **gossip** separates close friends.*

Proverbs 12:23 *A **prudent** man keeps his knowledge to himself, but the heart of fools **blurts** out folly.*

Key: Pg. 1: me. You. Truth; experience; feelings; desires and temptations. Pg. 2: dealings; truth; Pg. 3: struggles; hurts; struggles; better; Pg. 4: weaknesses; hope; discretion;

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## Authentic: Live an Honest and Open Life

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In our secular culture authenticity is about \_\_\_\_\_.

Biblical authenticity is about \_\_\_\_\_.

### The dumbing down of who we are, our identity:

• God's \_\_\_\_\_ about who we are,

• Our \_\_\_\_\_ in community,

• Our \_\_\_\_\_ as individuals,

• Our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

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## An Honest Life

### 1. Be honest in your \_\_\_\_\_.

Proverbs 11:3 The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity.

■ Genesis 39:6 So he left in Joseph's care everything he had; with Joseph in charge, he did not concern himself with anything except the food he ate.

■ 2 Kings 12:15 They did not require an accounting from those to whom they gave the money to pay the workers, because they acted with complete honesty.

Ephesians 4:25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body.

### 2. Be real about \_\_\_\_\_ and love.

Eph. 4:15 ... speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head that is Christ.

■ Eph. 4:29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

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## An Open Life

### 1. Be real about \_\_\_\_\_.

■ Matthew 26:37 He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled.<sup>38</sup> Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me."<sup>39</sup> Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."

■ 2 Cor. 1:3-10 "We despaired even of life."

#### You don't have to pretend:

• You don't \_\_\_\_\_.

■ • You don't \_\_\_\_\_ with God and His ways.

"Why have you forsaken me?" and, "into your hands I commit my spirit."

• Life is \_\_\_\_\_ than it is.

■ 2 Corinthians 4:7-9 (RSV) We have this treasure in earthen vessels to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed but not driven to despair; persecuted but not forsaken; struck down but not destroyed.

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