### **Shame and Change**

Psalms 44:13 You have made us a <u>reproach</u> to our neighbors, the <u>scorn</u> and <u>derision</u> of those around us. <sup>14</sup> You have made us a <u>byword</u> among the nations; the peoples <u>shake their heads at us</u>. <sup>15</sup> My <u>disgrace</u> is before me all day long, and <u>my face is covered with shame</u> <sup>16</sup> at the taunts of those who <u>reproach</u> and <u>revile</u> me, because of the enemy, who is bent on revenge.

We won't change until
We shift from seeing ourselves
As a v of shame
To an a of shame!

Psalm 44:17 All this happened to us, though we had not forgotten you or been false to your covenant.

Psalms 44:23 Awake, O Lord! Why do you sleep? Rouse
yourself! Do not reject us forever. <sup>24</sup> Why do you hide your face
and forget our misery and oppression? <sup>25</sup> We are brought down
to the dust; our bodies cling to the ground. <sup>26</sup> Rise up and help
us; redeem us because of your unfailing love.

# Shame is meant to drive us to God for what we most want!

Key: pg 1: exposure; idolater. pg 2: failed; really; foolish; pg 4: victim; agent;

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# Shame, part 1

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#### What is Shame?

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"Shame is the traumatic <u>e</u>	of nakedness.
-Dr Dan Allender	

#### How does shame work?

Culture message #1: "You feel shame because you're a victim."

Bible's message #1: You feel shame because you are an I

Shame and idolatry
Examples of modern man's idols:  Perfection, looking competent, being in control, always looking good, being smart, having it "together," tough guy, consummate father/mother, physical appearance, being seen as successful, healthy, great athlete, reputation, financial security or wealth, never making mistakes, looking successful, being on top of things, etc.
<u>F</u> idols produce shame.
Shame exposes what we <u>r</u> worship.
Idolatry produces stress.

Shame is the exposure of  $\underline{f}$  trust.

## Shame and a "poor self-image"

Culture message #2: "You feel shame because of a poor self -image. You need to think better of yourself."

Bible's message #2: You sense a poor self-image when your idol topples or fails.

Isaiah 44:9a All who make idols are <u>nothing</u>, and the things they treasure are <u>worthless</u>.

#### Shame and truth

Psalms 4:2 How long, O men, will you turn my glory into shame? How long will you love delusions and seek false gods? Selah