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Another Beautiful Life
PODCAST GUIDE

This guide is intended to be used as a complement to my podcast “Another Beautiful Life.” It is best utilized after listening to the corresponding episode. Please take some time to be contemplative in your answers. My suggestion is to ask the Holy Spirit to lead you through it before you begin. I’m already praying you hear His voice clearly.

Episode 90 - Bullseye

We often find out that whatever is transpiring or showing up in our physical and/or emotional life is also showing up in our spiritual life. The health of our relationships with others is a direct reflection of our relationship with God.

1) How would you describe your current relationship with God?

“Missing the mark,” biblically speaking, means sinning - a failure on our part to live according to God’s standards. More importantly, we need to understand that this failure to live as God has called us to is intentional; when we deliberately choose to set aside God’s direction for us. The Apostle Paul said, we don’t do what we really want to do, and instead do what we hate. We deliberately choose to sin.

2) Where have you been missing the mark in a more intentional way?

Sin is anything that gets our eyes off of the mark and causes us to not hit the intended target. We need to know how to hit the target more and more in our daily lives - how to look more like Him and less like our sinful selves. Paul tells us in Philippians 3 what the goal is. He shows us where the center of the target is. And that is to know God intimately and to be walking with Him in our daily lives.

3) What areas of your life can you see that you need to be more like Jesus and less like yourself?

Philippians 3:10 (AMP) says, "For my determined purpose is to know Him. To progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him; Perceiving, recognizing, and understanding the wonders of His person more strongly and more clearly." This is a great verse to declare at the beginning of each day.

4) What are some of the ways you think you could get acquainted with Jesus Him more deeply and intimately?

In verses 12 through 14 in Philippians 3, he goes on to say, "...But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the mark for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." He's saying that he's *purposefully* forgetting the fact that he had missed the target in the past. That's not going to keep him from trying to know God and walk with him the next day. He knows what the target looks like and he's moving towards it, not away from it.

5) What are the places in your life where you missed the target that you need to "forget" in order to keep moving forward?

Wherever or whatever your eyes are fixed on, that's where you'll end up. The only way you can miss the target is if your attention is drawn away from it. If your attention and focus is constantly on the target, if you're constantly scanning the land for it, then there's no way you can miss it.

In order to keep your attention and focus on following Jesus so that we become looking more like Him rather than ourselves, we must practice our maneuvers: Repenting of our sins, committing ourselves to Him and His ways, and trusting in His power and love to change us. Then we can have the confidence that every time we try to hit the target we'll get closer and closer to a bullseye each time.

6) Write a prayer asking God to forgive you, help you keep focused on Him, and set you back on the correct course so that you'll get closer to a Bullseye each day.
