LOVE STORIES

Healing Wounded Relationships

NOBODY PLANS TO BE _____.

MOST PEOPLE JUST DON'T _____ NOT TO.

When the Lord first began speaking to Israel through Hosea, he said to him, "Go and marry a prostitute, so that some of her children will be conceived in prostitution. This will illustrate how Israel has acted like a prostitute by turning against the Lord and worshiping other gods."

-Hosea 1:2 (NLT)

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

WHAT I'M _____ IS BETTER THAN WHAT I _____.

She said, 'I will go after my lovers, who give me my food and my water, my wool and my linen, my olive oil and my drink.'

-Hosea 2:5 (NIV)

80/20 MARRIAGE TRAP

YOU WALK AWAY FROM SOMEONE WHO GIVES YOU _____% CHASING THE _____% YOU FEEL LIKE YOU'RE MISSING.

BUT WHEN THE 80% IS _____, YOU REALIZE THE 20% WASN'T WORTH THE _____.

LIES THE DEVIL TELLS US

- **LOVE SHOULD BE _____. IF IT'S HARD, IT MUST BE WRONG.**
- **IF YOU'RE NOT _____, YOU'RE WITH THE WRONG PERSON.**
- **IF YOUR _____ AREN'T MET, IT'S OKAY TO LOOK ELSEWHERE.**

HEALING WOUNDED RELATIONSHIPS

1. **SET HEALTHY _____**

Therefore I will block her path with thornbushes; I will wall her in so that she cannot find her way.

-Hosea 2:6 (NIV)

"You are to live with me many days; you must not be a prostitute or be intimate with any man, and I will behave the same way toward you."

-Hosea 3:3 (NIV)

2. KEEP _____ LIKE GOD LOVES YOU

Then the Lord said to me, "Go and love your wife again, even though she commits adultery with another lover. This will illustrate that the Lord still loves Israel, even though the people have turned to other gods and love to worship them."

-Hosea 3:1 (NLT)

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

-Romans 5:8 (NIV)

Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

-Colossians 3:13 (NIV)

3. OWN YOUR _____

Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

-James 5:16 (NLT)

4. LET GOD _____ IT

"Come, let us return to the Lord… now he will heal us… now he will bandage our wounds. In just a short time he will restore us, so that we may live in his presence. Oh, that we might know the Lord!"

-Hosea 6:1-3 (NLT)

Sow righteousness for yourselves, reap the fruit of unfailing love, and break up your unplowed ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, until he comes and showers his righteousness on you.

-Hosea 10:12 (NIV)