

“Fear Of Being A Disappointment”

I fear that:

I am a disappointment to myself.

I am a disappointment to others.

I am a disappointment to God.

“Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.” Matthew 10:29-31 (NIV)

“For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.” Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)

“Am I now trying to win the approval of men, or of God? Or am I trying to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ.” Galatians 1:10 (NIV)

*“We are not trying to please men but God, who tests our hearts.”
1 Thessalonians 2:4b (NIV)*

“We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way.” Isaiah 53:6a (NIV)

*“¹¹ For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. ¹⁴ He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds.”
Titus 2:11,14 (NLT)*

*“But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. ⁹ And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation.”
Romans 5:8,9 (NLT)*

Small Group Questions

1. Are you trying to please God or people? Explain.
2. How do the first 2 passages on this outline speak to your fear of being a disappointment?
3. What do you think about the following quote from the sermon? “Your failures do not make you a failure.”
4. How have you responded to God's grace and forgiveness?