



Remember the sequence!

Spiritual Brokenness! 5:3

"Poverty of spirit is the personal acknowledgment of spiritual bankruptcy"

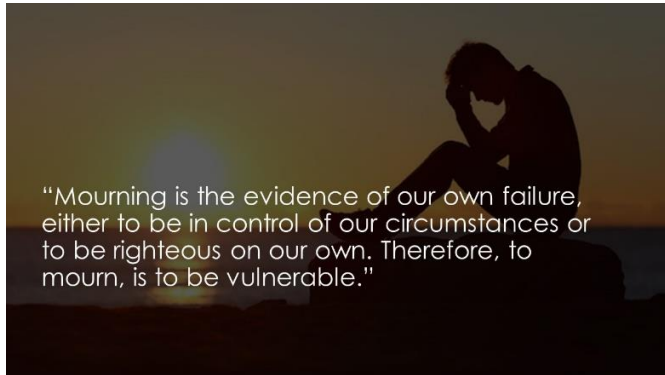
- \*Necessary for salvation
- \*Necessary for sanctification



What's Next?

Recognition of spiritual poverty is not enough. The question is "**how do I rightly respond to my Spiritual bankruptcy?**"

Answer: You must learn to MOURN!



Mourning – 5:4

- I. What mourning isn't
- II. What mourning is
- III. What godly mourning brings



I. What mourning isn't

- A. Mourning is not "continuous sorrow."
- B. Mourning is not "self-centered sorrow."



II. What mourning is

- A. Mourning is sorrow over personal and corporate sin.
  - Romans 7:24, Isaiah 6:5
- B. Mourning is refusal to manage sin.
  - Psalms 32:3-5



### III. What godly mourning brings

A. Mourning brings the comfort of Forgiveness.

• 1 John 1:9

B. Mourning brings the presence of the Holy Spirit.

• John 14:27



### How should I respond?

1. Is your mourning self-focused? Confess it!
2. Are you managing your sin? Mourn it!
3. Are you in need of comfort? Experience it!

