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Message Series: Getting God Out of Your Box

Today's Message: How God Wired Us

Three Truths:

1. "Without knowledge of self, there is no knowledge of God." ~Calvin
2. When you use _____, like your personality, you no longer have a personality; your personality has you!
3. "I now see that I am more flawed and sinful than I ever dared believe, but that I am also more loved and accepted than I ever hoped to be."

How God Wired Us

1. Peter's Thought: "I'm One _____ Dude!"

Matthew 18:21, 22 "Then Peter came up and said to Him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him... seven times? Jesus said to him... seventy-seven times."

* **Your _____ Person a Window:** those things you know about you and others know about you.

* Matthew 16:13

2. Peter's Thought: "I Am The Most _____ To Christ."

Matthew 26:33-36 "Peter answered Him, "Though they all fall away because of You, I will never fall away." Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." Peter said, "Even if I must die with You, I will not deny You!" And all the disciples said the same."

Matthew 10:16, 26, 31-33 "... Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves... So have no fear of them... Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father who is in heaven."

* **2nd Window:** things you know about you but _____ don't know about you.

* _____ conversations, Superficial relationships.

3. Peter's Thought: "I've Blown It Totally—There's _____ For Me!"

John 21:3 "Simon Peter said to them, I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you."

John 21:15-16 "... Simon... do you love Me more than these?" ... Yes Lord; You know that I love You." ... "Simon, ... do you love Me?" ... Yes, Lord, You know that I love You..."

* Peter denied Christ three times—Jesus asks Peter this question three times!

The Third Time: John 21:17 "Peter was grieved... "Lord, You know everything: You know that I love You."

* **3rd Window:** things you _____ about you but others know about you.

* **4th Window:** things you don't know about you and others don't know about you.

4. Peter's Thought: "My Life Has Been A _____ of God's Grace!"

2 Peter 1:1, 3, 5, 8 "Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ... His divine power has granted to us all things... For this very reason, make every effort... For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective and unfruitful..."

2 Peter 1:12-15 "Therefore I intend to always remind you of these qualities... I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon... I make every effort so that after my departure, you may be able... to recall these things."