#### THE HOPE YOU NEED FOR CHANGE

*My Spiritual Bucket List Part 2* Celebrate Recovery 2014

"God blesses those people who grieve. They will find comfort! Matt. 5:4 (CEV)

"No one can live with a broken spirit." Pr. 18:14 (NCV)

# WHERE TO GET HOPE WHEN CHANGE SEEMS HOPELESS:

#### 1. REMEMBER GOD IS <u>WITH ME</u>.

"Those who forget God have no hope." Job 8:11a (LB)

"Lord, when doubts fill my mind, when my heart is in turmoil, quiet me and give me renewed hope and cheer." Ps 94:19 (LB)

#### 2. REMEMBER HE CARES <u>ABOUT ME</u>.

"I have hope when I think of this: The Lord's love never ends; His mercies never stop. They are new every morning." Lamentations 3:21-23 (NCV)

"He is like a father to us, tender and sympathetic ... for He knows what we are made of – dust." Ps. 103:13-14 (LB/GN)

"God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us." Rom. 5:8 (LB)

# 3. REMEMBER HE KNOWS MY SITUATION.

"You know how troubled I am; You have kept a record of my tears." Ps. 56:6 (GN)

"... You have seen the crisis in my soul." Ps. 31:7 (LB)

# 4. REMEMBER HE HAS POWERS THAT I DON'T HAVE.

"What is impossible for men is possible with God." Luke 18:27 (GN)

"When everything was hopeless, Abraham believed anyway, deciding to live not on the basis of what he couldn't do but on what God said He would do." Rom. 4:18a (Mes)

*"For God is at work within you, giving you the will and the power to achieve His purpose."* Phil. 2:13 (Ph)

## 5. REMEMBER HE HAS PROMISED <u>TO HELP</u>.

"I expect Your help, for You have promised it." Ps. 119:81 (LB)

"God cannot lie when He makes a promise, and He cannot lie when He makes an oath. These things encourage us...They give us strength to hold on to the hope we have been given." Heb. 6:18 (NCV

## **STEP 2:**

# Earnestly believe that God exists; that I matter to Him, and that He has the power to help me recover.

"The Spirit that God gives us ... fills us with power, love, and self control." 2 Tim. 1:7 (GN)