

Knowing God Isn't Finished With You Yet

He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. **—Philippians 1:6**

Is it possible for you to discover that God hasn't finished with you? Perhaps you feel you have no real future. Perhaps you can look back on that time when everybody said, "Oh, what a future!" But that's all over now; you feel there is nothing to live for, you've made real mistakes, and there is no way that God could use you now.

Jacob had come to the place where he anticipated nothing but sorrow. He was now an old man. He had made many mistakes, almost every mistake possible. He felt there was nothing to live for, and he anticipated the worst. The irony was that Jacob's best days were yet to come, because he had yet to do what God had raised him up to do: to give the patriarchal blessing to those twelve sons.

Are you like that? You feel you are finished. You know the greatest feeling in the world is to feel needed, to feel useful, and the greatest honor in the world is to be used by God. I can think of nothing more wonderful than knowing that God is using me. Perhaps you have known better days when God did use you in a particular situation, and you would give anything in the world just to know that it could happen again.

I can promise you on the authority of God's Word that if you come to the cross and get right with God, your happiest days, your greatest days, lie ahead. I guarantee it.

One has to be willing to live in grateful dependence from now on. If God is going to use you again, you have to make the break. You have no chance of going back. No way! You are going forward. Jacob's greatest days were now ahead. He had

something to live for. God hadn't finished with him, and He hasn't finished with you.

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