

## **Bad to Best**

### **Ready:**

“He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed.” -- Isaiah 61:1

### **Set**

Sometimes, the worst situations can turn out to be the greatest things to ever happen. Yes, you read that right. In a word that sentence can mean redemption. Granted, it's tough to realize when situations are bad. Yet, God does His greatest work when we're uncomfortable, undone, and unsure of what will happen next. Perhaps you can recall a time in your life when God showed up after all hope was lost.

When He appeared distant, He was actually close.

Is God really able to redeem bad situations and make them the best things to ever happen? How can we be sure of this?

Dive into the Bible and you'll encounter countless stories about God working in and working through bad situations for His glory. Remember the cross, too. The worst situation ever – crucifying Jesus Christ, the Son of God – would actually become the best thing to ever happen in the history of the world. Because Jesus paid for the penalty of our sins through His death and resurrection, we have access to a personal relationship with the God of the Universe. That's redemption!

God invites you to surrender your bad situation to Him. Trust that He can use it as a turning point in your story to draw you closer to Him. Change may take a while. But God loves a comeback story.

### **Go**

- Which bad situation in your life is God calling you to surrender to Him?
- Do you believe God can write a comeback story in your life?
- What is God calling you to do today?

### **Workout**

Lamentations 3:57-58; Romans 8:11

### **Overtime**

“God, You are the Author of the greatest comeback story ever – resurrecting Jesus from the

grave to offer salvation for all those who receive it. You know my situation. Draw me closer to You. Today, I surrender my bad situation to You. Make it the best thing to ever happen to me. In Jesus' Name. Amen.”

**Bible Reference:**

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