



The Focus word for July is Authenticity
The verse for week 30, July 19-25 is:

"If we live in the light as God is in the light then we can share fellowship with each other." 1 John 1:7

The best way to truly be authentic is to walk in the light. To be able to build meaningful and deep relationships, you are going to let people see your weaknesses.

Please remember that NOBODY has it all together. This week is a perfect example of how I was not prepared to send you this message on Sunday.

I do not pre-write these in advance because I want to stay authentic and in real time. Doing it this way leaves a gap where mistakes, hiccups and blunders could happen and ya know what, it is okay. I am not perfect, I make mistakes, I own them and I learn from them.

How do we live authentically and overcome the fear of exposure? Walk in the light.

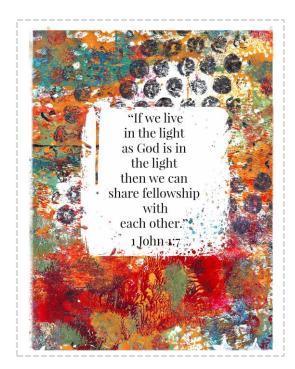
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The blessing of Authenticity is that we have this amazing soul-to-soul, heart-to-heart interaction with others. It is one of the keys to genuine fellowship in a marriage, in a friendship or any other relationship.

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Something to remember is this "You can impress the people from a distance but can only influence them close up."

Rick Warren