

GOD AT THE MOVIES

God at the Movies, Part 5: *SILVER LININGS PLAYBOOK*

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HOPE and even HEALING is out there even for those having a hard time saying "everything's good" if we will move toward it.

LIVE INTO WHOLENESS

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Ephesians 4:21–24

- ▶ False starts — remake ourselves, "consumer love"
- ▶ Ready... set... authenticity, scary honesty, terrifying vulnerability

LIVE INTO COMPASSION

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Matthew 9:10–13

See Matthew 12

[Translation: "Don't pass GO till you get this... but thanks for playing."]

- ▶ Word to those living with mental illness:
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THINK (as usual) CROSS

Unmistakable message *de la cruz*: Jesus came for the sick, sinners, the least, broken

≠ UNDO... = restore, redeem, forgive, save!

LIVE INTO WORSHIP — we were made for this, for God...

³ If You, LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?

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That You may be feared.

Psalm 130:3–4

- ▶ A Big God
- ▶ A Generous God
- ▶ A God who visits us...
- ▶ A "favorite day of the week" God

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