AND AS HE WAS SETTING OUT ON HIS JOURNEY, A MAN RAN UP AND KNELT BEFORE HIM AND ASKED HIM, "GOOD TEACHER, WHAT MUST I DO TO INHERIT ETERNAL LIFE?" AND JESUS SAID TO HIM, "WHY DO YOU CALL ME GOOD? NO ONE IS GOOD EXCEPT GOD ALONE. YOU KNOW THE COMMANDMENTS: 'DO NOT MURDER, DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, DO NOT STEAL, DO NOT BEAR

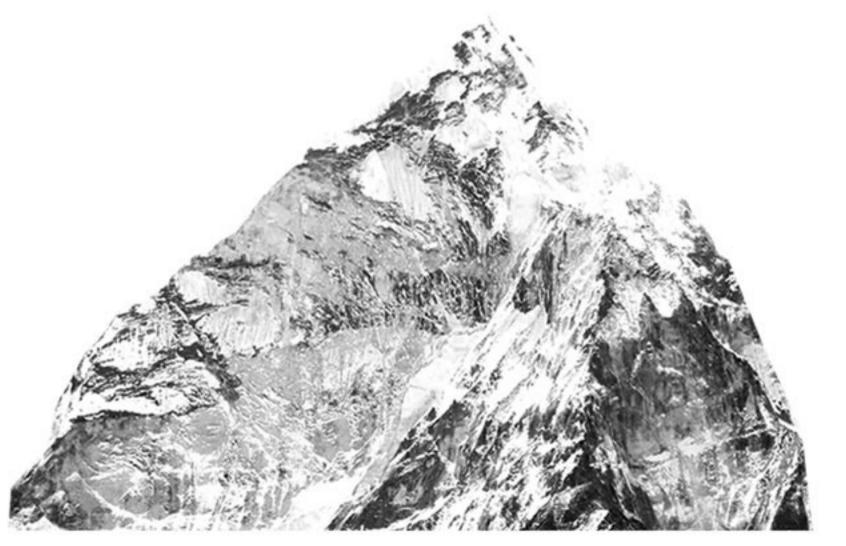
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FALSE WITNESS, DO NOT DEFRAUD, HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER." AND HE SAID TO HIM, "TEACHER, ALL THESE I HAVE KEPT FROM MY YOUTH." AND JESUS, LOOKING AT HIM, LOVED HIM, AND SAID TO HIM, "YOU LACK ONE THING: GO, SELL ALL THAT YOU HAVE AND GIVE TO THE POOR, AND YOU WILL HAVE TREASURE IN HEAVEN; AND COME, FOLLOW ME." DISHEARTENED BY THE

MARK 10:17-22

SAYING, HE WENT AWAY SORROWFUL, FOR HE HAD GREAT POSSESSIONS.

MARK 10:17-22



## I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE



OBSTACLES & OBJECTIONS TO FAITH



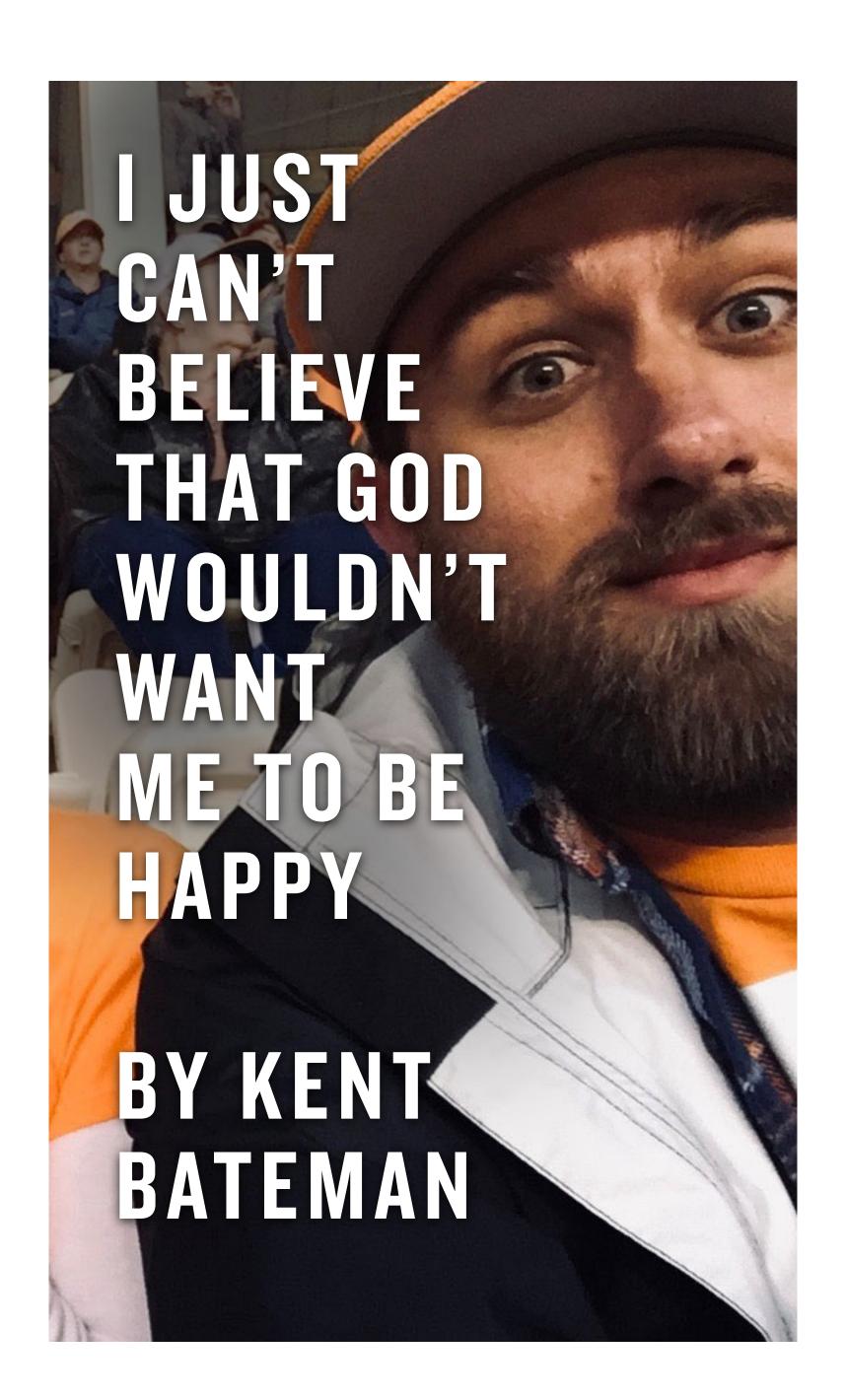
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# I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE THAT GOD WOULDN'T WANT ME TO BE HAPPY









ALL MEN SEEK HAPPINESS. THIS IS WITHOUT EXCEPTION. WHATEVER DIFFERENT MEANS THEY EMPLOY, THEY ALL TEND TO THIS END. THE CAUSE OF SOME GOING TO WAR, AND OF OTHERS AVOIDING IT, IS THE SAME DESIRE IN BOTH, ATTENDED WITH DIFFERENT VIEWS. THE WILL NEVER TAKES THE LEAST STEP BUT TO THIS OBJECT. THIS IS THE MOTIVE OF EVERY ACTION OF EVERY MAN, EVEN OF THOSE WHO HANG THEMSELVES.

### BLAISE PASCAL





...WHOEVER DOES NOT TAKE UP THEIR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME IS NOT WORTHY OF ME.

**MATTHEW 10:38** 



AND HE SAID TO ALL, "IF ANYONE WOULD COME AFTER ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS DAILY AND FOLLOW ME."

**LUKE 9:23** 





## DELIGHT YOURSELF IN THE LORD, AND HE WILL GIVE YOU THE DESIRES OF YOUR HEART.

**PSALM 37:4** 



YOU HAVE PUT MORE JOY IN MY HEART THAN THEY HAVE WHEN THEIR GRAIN AND WINE ABOUND.

**PSALM 4:7** 



ASK, AND YOU WILL RECEIVE, THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE FULL.

JOHN 16:24





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IT WOULD SEEM THAT OUR LORD FINDS OUR DESIRES NOT TOO STRONG, BUT TOO WEAK. WE ARE HALF-HEARTED CREATURES, FOOLING ABOUT WITH DRINK AND SEX AND AMBITION WHEN INFINITE JOY IS OFFERED US, LIKE AN IGNORANT CHILD WHO WANTS TO GO ON MAKING MUD PIES IN A SLUM BECAUSE HE CANNOT IMAGINE WHAT IS MEANT BY THE OFFER OF A HOLIDAY AT THE SEA. WE ARE FAR TOO EASILY PLEASED.

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### MATTHEW

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THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE TREASURE HIDDEN IN A FIELD, WHICH A MAN FOUND AND COVERED UP. THEN IN HIS JOY HE GOES AND SELLS ALL THAT HE HAS AND BUYS THAT FIELD.

MATTHEW 13:44



