



Devotional & Article Writing Starters

Topic: "Masks"

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What Masks Do:

Hide our Imperfections

- We should be proud of who we are.
- God made each of us unique in our own way.
- We are "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalms 139:14)

Give us a Hardness

- Makes us have that hard coating.
- Makes us a little gruff.

- We should have kindness in our tongues. (Proverbs 15:1)
- Makes us lose our tenderness.
- As Christians we should be "tenderhearted" (Ephesians 4:32)

Impair Our Vision

- We don't see things clearly.
- Makes us misjudge. This could be misjudging others or misjudging things.
- Puts things out of perspective.
- "Teach me good judgment and knowledge..." (Psalm 119:66)

Prevent the Light

- Masks prevent the light from seeping in. Do we let the True Light seep in?
- As we develop this shell of a mask, do we let our Bible reading slide?
- "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Psalm 119:105)

Make Others Stay Away

- Masks help us avoid getting close to others.
- We need that fellowship (1 John 1:7)
- In Acts the early church was "breaking bread from house to house" (Acts 2:46). That's the model that was left for us. That koinonia kind of fellowship.
- Masks hinder friendships. We need the encouragement and advice of friends. (Proverbs 27:9; Proverbs 27:17)

Hide our Identity

- We are children of the King. (John 1:12)
- We need to get out from behind the mask and let our light shine.

(Matthew 5:16)