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yet look to him for strength.

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Message Disclaimer

Over the years I have been blessed by many pastors, theologians, and commentators whose writings have brought much needed clarity to my own sermons. As a result, my sermons are somewhat of a melting pot of these ideas, put together through hours of personal study, reflection, writing, and prayer. As it's been said before, *"I milk a lot of cows, but I churn my own butter."*

I have always made it my aim to cite these sources during my messages, but any failure to do so is simply an oversight on my part.

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I pray these messages will be a blessing and source of encouragement to all who use them to grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18).

In Christ,
Pastor Brad Beckwith

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