

Drippings of Grace Ministries

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A Benediction to Those Wounded By the Church

To those who carry wounds not from enemies, but from those who spoke in God's name—

To those whose trust was broken by shepherds who should have cared for you—

To those who were silenced when they questioned, shamed when they struggled, or cast out when they needed grace:

May you know that your pain is seen and valid.

May you remember that the misuse of God's name is not the same as God.

May the Spirit who comforts the brokenhearted draw near to you now.

May healing rise slowly, steadily, like dawn after a long night.

May you find spaces where safety, honesty, and gentleness grow.

And when you are ready—

May love lead you toward whatever wholeness looks like for you.

You are not alone. You are not forgotten. You are still beloved.

Go in peace, exactly as you are.