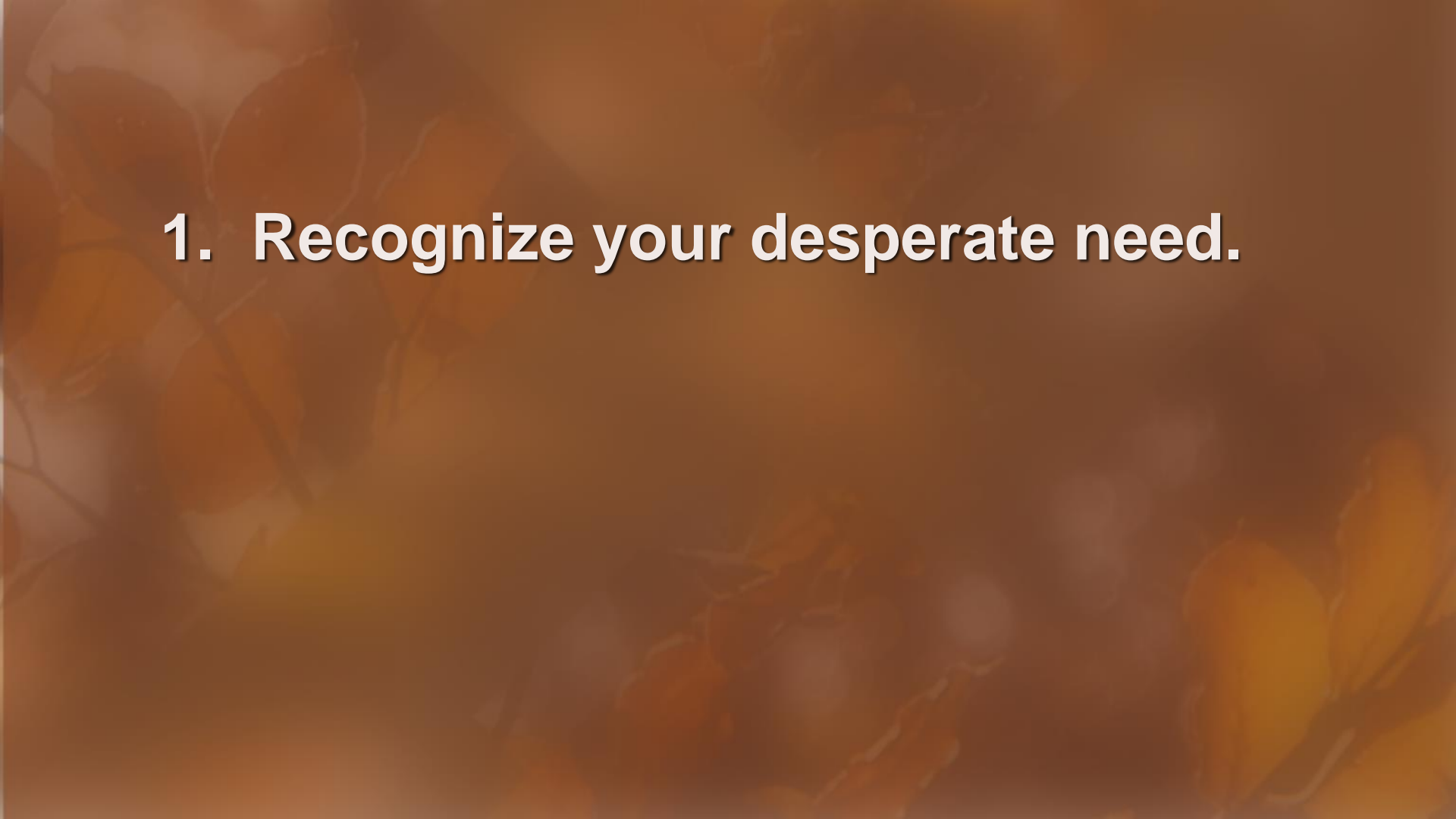


***The Source of Our
Sufficiency***

2 Corinthians 3:5

- A. Authentic believers always have cause for thanksgiving.**
- B. Authentic believers are convinced that God is always leading them in triumph.**
- C. Authentic believers live in a manner that always draws attention to Jesus.**
- D. Authentic believers always minister with integrity.**



1. Recognize your desperate need.

John 15:5

“I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.”

“And who is sufficient for these things?”

“Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God.”

Philippians 3:13-14

“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

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- 2. Resolve to know God more intimately.**

Romans 12:2

**“And be not conformed to this world:
but be ye transformed by the renewing
of your mind, that ye may prove what
is that good, and acceptable,
and perfect, will of God.”**

Ephesians 4:22-24

“That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.”

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- 3. Remember that faith is not a feeling; neither is it a formula or guarantee.**
- 4. Be willing to risk failure.**

Acts 18:9-10

“Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace: 10 For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.”

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Acts 17:18

“Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.”

Acts 26:24

“And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.”

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- 6. Rejoice in every instance where you see God at work.**