

## Wednesday - April 10

*"Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."*

*Hebrews 4:16*

I married my high school sweetheart at 18. He was in the Airforce and we were eventually stationed in Germany. Things were going well... until he became violent. He yelled and threatened mostly, but after I told him I wanted a divorce, things got worse.

I tried to get him to go to counseling. I prayed constantly for God to show me a way through this. I even stayed for two months after he tried to throw me out a third story window. All because I didn't want to get divorced. I made a promise not just to my husband, but to God. It didn't help that everyone at the church I attended told me God didn't want me to get divorced. "The Bible clearly says you shouldn't," they said. "Turn the other cheek," they said.

I was 21 and felt like such a disappointment. I just couldn't do it. I prayed that God would forgive me and divorced anyway. And you know what? He did! He does time and time again! His forgiveness is bigger than my sin. His grace holds me every day and tells me I am enough! I am constantly overwhelmed with His love for ME!

We should approach Christ Jesus with confidence! Seek Him in our time of need! Nothing we can do will stop Him from offering His loving grace! He reaches for us...it's OK to be held!

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**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, thank You for loving us and reaching for us no matter how low we may end up. Remind us all that we can come to You no matter the issue and time and time again. Wrap Your arms around those that do not know to seek for You and open their eyes to the mighty power of Your grace. And Thank You...for holding me. In Jesus' sweet name, Amen.