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Breakdown, Breakthrough, Breakout Pt. 3
The Necessity of Breakdown

Intro: **What is the necessity of Breakdown?**

1. Breakdown presents the opportunity to know our heart and God's heart.
2. Breakdown presents choices to live what's in our heart (expand or constrict our capacity)
3. Breakdown reveals the distinctions between life and death.

Explanation:

1. Breakdown challenges what is in our heart.
2. Every time you make a choice you are turning the central part of you, the part that chooses, into something a little different than what it was before.
3. Breakdown empowers us to choose life and trust God.
4. *John 12:24-25 ("But if it dies, it produces many seeds.")*

Prop: Breakdown is necessary.

T.S.: Breakdown is necessary because of the following reasons.

I. # 1: To Know Our Hearts. Deuteronomy 8:1-3 (*"In order to know what was in your heart."*)

1. Without breakdown we don't know what's in our heart
2. Without breakdown we would not take our medicine
3. Without breakdown we are predisposed to rely on ourselves

II. #2: To Humble Ourselves. Deuteronomy 8:13-14 (*"...Your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord."*)

1. Without breakdown our maturity is stunted & retarded
2. Without breakdown we forget where we come from and what we have overcome.
3. Without breakdown we for get to praise Him and humble ourselves.

III. #3: To Rely on Him. Deuteronomy 8:15-18 (*"He led you through..."*)

1. He guides through the breakdown
2. He provides for us through the breakdown
3. He blesses us through the breakdown
4. He empowers us through the breakdown

Concl.:

**Therefore we should consider the reasons breakdown is necessary. *Genesis 4:6-7* (“If you do what is right, will you not be accepted...”)
*Breakdown is necessary because it reminds us to trust in the Lord!***

- 1. Know Your Heart**
- 2. Humble Yourself**
- 3. Rely on God**