

Like an Algebra equation ~ every journey has positives and negatives.

Some start life in the positive.

Some start life in the negative.

That's life.

Every life has both joy and pain, suffering and well-being,
tears and laughter, beauty and ugliness. (ask for more)
betrayal and belonging, abandonment and friendship

That's life.

Pos + Pos – Neg + Pos – Neg...

Share about video we saw of "Nick". His perspective on life.

Concentrating on what he has instead of what he doesn't have.

Nick's choice was to embellish his Positives.

Choices.

We forget how often our own choices inflict another Negative on us or on others.

We also forget how often our choosing Positive will create another Positive.

That's also life.

One choice God is teaching me now ~ I can "choose to refuse"!

These days, I'm "refusing choosing" comparison.

Comparing my journey, with the journey of someone else, creates Negatives.

It is at the "Neg" point that we blunder.

It is when we get offended (*define offended*) that we total lots of Negs.

The ability to see offenses as Oh... fences....

Do you know what you do when you're "hurt"?

Instead of being the hurt one, you become the hurt-er. You hurt people.

Instead of being the abused one, you become the abuser. You hurt people.

FACT: HURT PEEPS HURT PEEPS.

That's life.

Discovering perspective.

Pass out pens, papers. Show drawing. What is this? Guess.

You are all right.

You are all wrong.

No one person can have the complete revelation on this picture.

No one person can have the complete revelation on life or God either.
You cannot capture life and you cannot capture God.
But you can know this. God is a bit on the wild side. :^)

Algebra equations ~ 2 negatives = a positive! How GOD!!

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Life with God, life in God, life for God is always exciting, fresh, NEW.
He is surprising, unexpected, unpredictable
(if you knew what He was up to, you'd be God, wouldn't you?)

Unexpected, fresh and new. Like the Discovery Channel.
2 Cor 5:17 Isa 62: 2,3 Ezek 11: 19, 20 Ezek 36: 25-28 Eph 4: 22-24 Col 3:8-12

Discovery Channel ~ what's my relationship with God supposed to look like?

From "The Shack", by Wm Young

His concept on relationship with God.

If you and I are friends there is an expectancy that exists within our relationship. When we see each other or are apart, there is an expectancy of being together, of laughing and talking. That expectancy has no concrete definition; it is alive and dynamic and everything that emerges from our being together is a unique gift shared by no one else. But what happens if I change that 'expectancy' to an 'expectation' - spoken or unspoken?

Suddenly, law has entered into our relationship. You are now expected to perform in a way that meets my expectations. Our living friendship rapidly deteriorate into a dead thing with rules and requirements. It is no longer about you and me, but about what friends are suppose to do or the responsibilities of a good friend.

Are you a hole digger expecting others to do it your way
or are you a hole filler, filled with great expectancy over life?

Are you a Positive or a Negative number? An add or subtract?
You **are** one or the other. Every moment of every day, **you are**.
There is no middle, no neutral place.

That's life.

And ~ whatever you choose or refuse to choose today, becomes yours tomorrow.

That's also life.

Practicing His Presence ~ I.D. dog tags ~ what does I.D. stand for?

He gave me a pretty dog tag with the initials I.D. on it. He teased, "That stands for Indescribably Delicious. I want you to always wear it. Never forget you are Incredibly Delicious to Me."

When I got done blushing, I wanted to give Him something too. I put my name on a dog tag and asked Him to wear it so I would always be close to His heart, so He would always remember me. Imagine my surprise to discover He was already wearing my I.D.!!! He said He was wearing it before I ever knew Him, before my life journey even began!

That's life with God.

Ask what has He written on your dog tag.

Practice being a Positive.

*Pair up. Sit in front of each other. Look in eyeball if you can.
One positive thought. One word.*