The First Step To Repair A Broken Down Life

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Key Building Block: Face Realty

Key opposition: Self

Think about this:

A clear vision of the state of our lives and homes will make us **see what is**, what could be, what **should be** and what **will be** if we will but seek God and **obey**.

First steps:

- Change begins when we take <u>an honest look at our problems</u> verse 3
- Change comes when we take <u>personal responsibility for our</u> problems – verse 2
- Change comes when we take time to <u>recognize the failures</u> that led to the problems - verse 1
- Change comes when we take all of <u>our problems to God in</u> <u>humble faith</u> - verse 4
 - he wept
 - he mourned
 - he prayed
 - he fasted

Conclusion: Change never happens until we admit there is a problem.

What is the problem?