

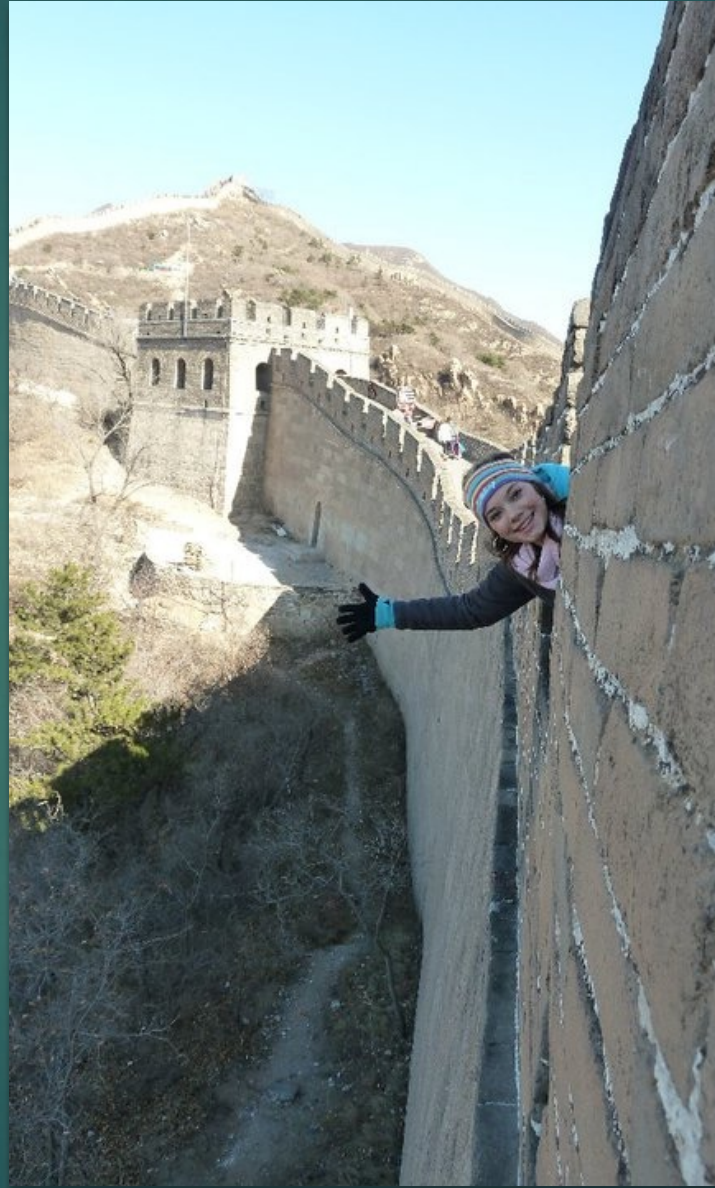


# Don't Be Afraid of the Process

MY JOURNEY

# Great Wall of China

- ▶ 2300 years to build of 9 dynasties
- ▶ Over 21,000km in length
- ▶ What was it built for?





The process of  
becoming...



# God as the Potter

- ▶ God is in the messy parts of life, where mistakes are made, where we go down tracks we never thought we would. When we experience anguish and deep pain and wonder how will I get through this?
- ▶ But I love the image, that all the while the potter still has His hand and watchful eye on the clay. He never leaves nor forsakes us. Deut 31:8
- ▶ The truth is you don't need a lot of strength when making Pottery. You just have to let the process take its course. If you use too much force, you'll keep throwing the clay off-centre and wear yourself out.
- ▶ This can be what happens when we try to take control of our situations.



# 2 Timothy 2:21-22

- ▶ In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for special purposes and some for common use. <sup>21</sup> Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.
- ▶ For God works all things together for good for those who love him and are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28
- ▶ This scripture tells us that no matter how messy, or scary, how unpredictable and sometimes unfair life can seem, God does take all of it and He uses it for good.

My journey

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Interests... being truly free.  
Behind the cloistered walls of  
the Palace, Princess Jasmine  
feels held back, like a bird in a  
cage.

# God's love has always remained the same

- ▶ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- ▶ Romans 8:38-39



