

Peeling off the dead weights (part 4)

Today we are talking about reoccurring mistakes. Some people keep relapsing on drugs, alcohol, opioids, constantly coming in and out of jails, prison, boot camp, detention centers, juvenile detention centers, and others have had continuous failed marriages that landed in ~~the~~ divorces court. Some cannot keep a job, ~~because~~ because of their attitude and laziness. Failure after failure because you don't want to do right. It's time to change your attitudes and behavior. Some of you are getting too old for the foolishness that you are putting out in the universe. Often times when people come back ~~to~~ to the criminal justice system. They want to pick up their bibles as long as they are incarcerated. But when it's time to leave, a lot of them leave that same bible behind. Because they are leaving with the intention to go out and do what they was doing before they got locked. Then when you see them back a month later or hear they are back in the county a week later after they just got out of prison. You look at them and say what happen? "Quote, "I tried but you know the spirit indeed is willing, but my flesh was weak. They want to get church on you. If they would have stayed in their word, prayed and found church home. They would have never enter a system ever again unless for a positive purpose like ministering. Everyone of these condition keep happening why? Romans 7:14 for we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin. "Carnal and fleshly" are words that Paul used for the old sinful nature that is in every person. Romans 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. Romans 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God

neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the Sons of God. What is God saying to you ~~put~~ my dearest friends "Put to death the misdeeds of the body" means to regard as dead the power of sin in your body - Greedy for power, fame and fortune, laziness, abusing your mate physically, ~~emotionally~~ and emotionally. God didn't call you to have more than one woman or man, stop being gold diggers - get your own money. Stop robbing, killing, manipulating, being deceitful so till no one can trust you, your body belong to God why are you abusing it with alcohol, drugs, opioids etc, excessive eating, ~~drugs~~ sex addict etc. When we regard sin's appeal as dead and lifeless, we can ignore temptation when it comes. Some people may say ~~because~~ ~~the~~ what are the sins because honey I didn't grow up in nobody's church. (Galatians 6:11; 5:24) Our wrong desires versus fruit of the Spirit. The will of the Holy Spirit is in constant opposition to our sinful desires. The two are on opposite side of spiritual battle.

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Very Important focal point here

Our wrong desires are

Evil

Destructive

Easy to ignite

Difficult to ~~stifle~~ stifle

Self-centered

Oppressive and possessive

Decadent

Sinful

Deadly

The Fruit of the Spirit is

Good

productive

Difficult to ignite

Easy to stifle

Self giving

Liberating and nurturing

Uplifting

Holy

Abundant life

Now the way out of ~~your~~ mess

Nehemiah 9:2-3 The Hebrews practiced open confession, admitting their sins to one another. Reading and studying God's word should precede confession (see Nehemiah 8:18)

because God can show us where we are sinning. Honest confession should precede worship because we cannot have a right relationship with God if we hold on to

~~to~~ certain sins. Remembering our personal history can certainly help us to avoid repeating our mistakes

so that we can serve God better. Reviewing our past ~~to~~ helps us understand how to improve our behavior. It shows us the pattern to our spiritual growth. Learn from your past so that you will become the kind of person God wants you to be. In

Nehemiah 9:16-21 Seeing how God ~~continued~~ continued to be with his people shows that his patience is amazing! In spite of our repeated failings, pride, and ~~stubbornness~~ stubbornness, he is always ready to forgive (9:17) and his spirit is always

ready to instruct (9:20). Realizing the extent of God's forgiveness helps us forgive those who fail us, even "a seventy-seven times" if necessary (Matthew 18:21,22)

Even Israel was devastated by times of intense

Rebellion and sin. Yet when the people repented and returned to God, he delivered them. God puts no limit on the number of times we can ~~come~~ come to him to obtain mercy, but ~~we~~ we must come in order ~~to~~ to obtain it recognizing our need and asking him for help. This ~~miracle~~ miracle of grace should inspire us to say, "You are a gracious and merciful God!" If there is a recurring problem or difficulty in your life, continue to ask God for help and be willing and ready to make changes in your attitude and behavior that will correct that situation.

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