

REGRETS

2 Samuel 18:33, "And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! WOULD GOD I HAD died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

I. Only You Can Make The Decision For You To Do Right

A. No Excuses

Jeremiah 2:13, "For my people have committed two evils; they have FORSAKEN ME the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water."

B. "Thank God I Did" OR "I Wish I Had"

1 Peter 5:6, "HUMBLE YOURSELVES therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:"

II. The Power To Do Right Is Found Only In Christ

A. In and Through Him

2 Corinthians 2:14, "Now thanks be unto God, which ALWAYS causeth us to TRIUMPH IN CHRIST."
Romans 8:37, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors THROUGH HIM that loved us."

B. If You Knew What You Are Forfeiting . . .

Luke 19:41-42, "And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes."

C. You Must Not Refuse To Come To Him

John 5:40, "And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life."

D. God Does It, Not You

Philippians 2:13, "For it is God which worketh in you both to WILL and to DO of his good pleasure."

E. Victory Depends Upon The Holy Spirit Being Released In You

Ephesians 3:20, "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, ACCORDING TO THE POWER THAT WORKETH IN US,"

III. His Power Is Released Only Through Surrender

A. Yield Yourself As An Instrument In His Hands

Romans 6:13, "Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God."

B. You Determine Whom You Obey

Romans 6:16, "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"

Romans 6:19, "I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness & to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness."

C. You Must Believe God Will Empower You If You Ask Him To Do So

Hebrews 11:6, "for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

D. It Is Time For You To Decide To Be A Victor Or A Victim

1 Corinthians 9:25-27, "And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway."