

Greatest Leader

Greater Than | Week 2

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H_____ Lesson

"Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it." - Winston Churchill

1 Corinthians 10:6, 11-13 (NIV)

"Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did...these things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

E_____ your heart / signs of a hardening heart

A hardened heart is a heart that has:

- Become calloused as the result of spiritual stubbornness, pride, arrogance – the persistent refusal to submit to God's will.
- Lost spiritual perception, or has a resistance to the conviction of the Holy Spirit, or to receiving and responding to God's truth.
- Consistently refused to turn away from one's sins.
- Developed spiritual amnesia, state of constant forgetfulness – failing to remember how God has helped or provided for you in the past.

A_____ a spiritual A.E.D.

- A_____ it, and then confess it.

Ezekiel 36:26-27 (NIV)

"...I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone, and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws."

1 John 1:8-9 (NIV)

"If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Hebrews 4:12-13 (NIV)

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account."

- E_____ God's word (a heart healthy diet!)

Matthew. 4:4 (NIV)

"Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

1 Peter 2:2 (NIV)

"Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good."

Hebrews 5:13-14 (NIV)

"Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil."

Joshua 1:8 (NIV)

"Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; *meditate* on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."

Isaiah 31:4 (NIV)

"This is what the Lord says to me: 'As a lion growls, a great lion over its prey – and though a whole band of shepherds is called together against it, it is not frightened by their shouts or disturbed by their clamor...'"

Jeremiah 15:16 (NIV)

"When your words came, I ate them, they were my joy and my heart's delight."

Ezekiel 3:3 (NIV)

"Son of man, eat this scroll I am giving you and fill your stomach with it. So I ate it, and it tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth."

Psalms 34:8,10 (NIV)

"Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him...the lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."

- D_____ encouragement (Remember, community is critical!)

R_____ & R_____ in God's grace and mercy!

Hebrews 4:14-16 (NIV)

"Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have a one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are – yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

T_____ in the promises of God & T_____ the paths of God's grace and mercy.

Psalms 119:11 (NIV)

"How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word. I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you."

"Think of the Spiritual Disciplines as ways by which we can spiritually place ourselves in the path of God's grace and seek him, much like Zacchaeus placed himself physically in Jesus' path and sought him. The Lord, by his Spirit, still travels down certain paths, paths that he himself has ordained and revealed in Scripture. We call these paths the Spiritual Disciplines, and if we place ourselves on these paths and look for him there by faith, we can expect to encounter him..." - Donald S. Whitney

