

Let It Go!

Philippians 3:13,14; Joel 2:25

Last week we began a series entitled "Let it Go!" If we are to live in the freedom of Christ we must learn to let stuff go and learn to dwell in the land of the Lord's freedom. We learned first of all to *let go of what God has forgiven* and then to *let go of what others have done to us*.

Today we need to understand about the wounds that we have inflicted on others and how they can weigh us down and rob the real freedom that we have in

Christ. Some of the wounds are:

1. A drunk driving accident.
2. The family shattered by divorce.
3. The child who was abused in anger.
4. The abortion following an affair.
5. The faithful partner infected by HIV.

We cannot wound others and stay whole ourselves without the cleansing power of God.

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III. Let go of what you have done to _____.

A. Understand that Jesus can _____ us from our self-inflicted death. (Romans 7:24)

1. Everyone has _____.
2. Sometimes we have to face those whom we have _____ daily.

B. Make _____ where possible.

1. Ask for _____.
2. _____ a letter.

C. Show _____ on others who have committed the same style of sin.

1. Don't _____ what you have done.
2. _____ out to them.

IV. Let go of what you _____ to do.

A. The saddest words are "if I could just go back" or "what _____ have been?"

B. We fail more frequently by what we _____ do than what we _____.

C. Understand the truth of the cross.

1. The same cross that conceals the true sin of what we _____, covers the sins of what we _____ do.
2. _____ your faith in the God of second chances.

Conclusion

1. _____ God for a new dream.
2. _____ forward to a life of restored opportunity and fulfillment.
3. _____ that the sabotaged dream is dead, but the new dream will be even greater.
4. _____ God can make up for the "years the locust has eaten."

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