

Unchecked _____.

And then he added, *“It is what comes from inside that defiles you. ²¹For from within, out of a person’s heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder,²²adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness.²³ All these vile things come from within; they are what defile you.”* MARK 7:20-23 (NLT)

Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

ROMANS 12:2 (NLT)

Undermining _____.

Dear friend, don’t let this bad example influence you. Follow only what is good. Remember that those who do good prove that they are God’s children, and those who do evil prove that they do not know God.

I JOHN 3:11 (NLT)

My dear friends, don’t let public opinion influence how you live out our glorious, Christ-originated faith.

JAMES 2:1 (MSG)

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss.

¹³ All God’s people here send their greetings.

¹⁴ May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

II Corinthians 13:11-14 (NIV)

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Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.
II Corinthians 13:11 (NIV)

The work of God in my life is always accompanied with the presence of _____.

I have set the LORD continually before me; Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoices; My flesh also will dwell securely. ¹¹ You will make known to me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

PSALM 16:8, 9, 11 (NASB)

...For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. HEBREWS 12:2b (NIV)

Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great _____. ³ For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. ⁴ So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.

JAMES 1:2-4 (NLT)

_____ in the Lord always. I will say it again: _____!
PHILIPPIANS 4:4 (NIV)

... the ____ of the LORD is your strength. NEHEMIAH 8:10b (NASB)

_____ always, ¹⁷ pray continually, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.
I THESSALONIANS 5:16-18 (NIV)

Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. ⁸Oh, give me back my joy again; You have broken me—now let me rejoice. ⁹Don't keep looking at my sins. Remove the stain of my guilt. ¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me. ¹¹Do not banish me from Your presence, and don't take Your Holy Spirit from me. ¹²Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and make me willing to obey You. ¹³Then I will teach Your ways to rebels, and they will return to You. PSALM 51:7-13 (NLT)

Satan often attacks the gift of _____ in my life by using my _____.

You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. JOHN 8:44 (NIV)

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. JOHN 10:10 (NIV)

Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.⁹ Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith... I PETER 5:8-9a (NLT)

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. GALATIANS 5:1 (NIV)

Areas from our past that need restoration:

Unproductive _____.

What shall we say [to all this]? Should we continue in sin and practice sin as a habit so that [God's gift of] grace may increase and overflow?² Certainly not! How can we, the very ones who died to sin, continue to live in it any longer? ROMANS 6:1-2 (AMP)

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward

love and good deeds,²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. HEBREWS 10:23-25 (NIV)

...Spend your time and energy in the exercise of keeping spiritually fit.
I Timothy 4:7b (TLB)

Since Jesus went through everything you're going through and more, learn to think like him. Think of your sufferings as a weaning from that old sinful habit of always expecting to get your own way. Then you'll be able to live out your days free to pursue what God wants instead of being tyrannized by what you want. I PETER 4:1-2 (MSG)

Unsettling _____.

Do not call to mind the former things, Or ponder things of the past.¹⁹ "Behold, I will do something new, Now it will spring forth; Will you not aware of it? I will even make a roadway in the wilderness, Rivers in the desert. ISAIAH 43:18-19 (NASB)

Forget about what's happened; don't keep going over old history. Be alert, be present. I'm about to do something brand-new. It's bursting out! Don't you see it? There it is! I'm making a road through the desert, rivers in the badlands. ISAIAH 43:18-19 (MSG)

*Your word I have treasured and stored in my heart,
That I may not sin against You.* PSALM 119:11 (AMP)

Unprocessed _____.

It is obvious what kind of life develops out of trying to get your own way all the time: repetitive, loveless, cheap sex; a stinking accumulation of mental and emotional garbage; frenzied and joyless grabs for happiness; trinket gods; magic-show religion; paranoid loneliness; cutthroat competition; all-consuming-yet-never-satisfied wants; a brutal temper; an impotence to love or be loved; divided homes and divided lives; small-minded and lopsided pursuits; the vicious habit of depersonalizing everyone into a rival; uncontrolled and uncontrollable addictions; ugly parodies of community. I could go on. This isn't the first time I have warned you, you know. If you use your freedom this way, you will not inherit God's kingdom. GALATIANS 5:19-21 (MSG)