

## MAKING JESUS THE LORD OF MY LIFE -- LESSON 2B

Wednesday, February 5th

### MAKING JESUS THE LORD OF THE WAY I LIVE

#### 1. How can I overcome the temptations of my old nature?

##### A. "Burn bridges" to the past.

- What did the Ephesians Christians do when they turned away from witchcraft and sorcery? Acts 19:18-20

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(Do I have things I should get rid of:?)

- Do my friends and the places I go make it harder for me to resist sin?  
1 Corinthians 15:33 \_\_\_\_\_

- I should be as willing to part with the activities and friends that cause me to sin even if it is as hard as losing a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ from my body. Matthew 18:7-9.

##### B. Keep your heart and mind clean.

- Where does sin start? Matthew 15:19; James 1:13-15

- Why are the wrong kind of clothes, books, magazines, music, movies, TV, web sites and conversations so damaging to my Christian life? Proverbs 4:23

- What must I do about my thought-life now that I am under the Lordship of Christ? 2 Corinthians 10:5; Philippians 4:8

- Jesus teaches me to deal with sins such as murder and adultery at what stage? Matthew 5:21, 22, 27, 28

- At what point in their development do you think wrong thoughts are easiest to deal with?

- While I am doing my best to keep my thoughts clean, what should I ask God to do? Psalm 51:10

##### C. Get help from God.

- What can I put inside my heart and mind that will help me overcome sin? Psalm 119:11 \_\_\_\_\_

- Who will help me "put to death" the sins of my old nature? Romans 8:13 \_\_\_\_\_
- How can I continually be "refilled" with the Holy Spirit? Luke 11:13; Colossians 3:16 \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Strengthen the new nature.**

- What should I do, as far as possible, about any old wrongs I have done against people which have not been cleared up?

Matthew 5:23, 24

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Leviticus 6:4

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- What should I do if I hold any resentments against people from the past (including my parents, mate, or family members)? Mark 11:25
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- What is the food for my new nature to grow on? Matthew 4:4 \_\_\_\_\_

- Who will help to make me like Jesus? Galatians 5:22, 23
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- Who in the church has God given me to help me to grow like Christ? Ephesians 4:11-13 \_\_\_\_\_

- What else will keep me close to God and make me strong? Ephesians 6:18 \_\_\_\_\_

- Where can I go to find the encouragement to overcome temptation and live like Jesus? Hebrews 10:24, 25
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- If I will use these helps that God has given me, what has God promised? 1 Corinthians 10:13
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