



Old Man New Man – From the Old to the New

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!” 2 Corinthians 5:17

1. What is a “vicious cycle?”
 - a. Share if you have been in a vicious cycle in your life experience?
 - b. How did it stop?
2. As Michael shared his experience one of the biggest problems was rejection from his father. What can rejection do to a man?
3. The danger of “gateway drugs” is that they seem innocent to use and control. Not true!
 - a. Name some of these gateway drugs.
 - b. Bring awareness in your group about the importance of recognizing these drugs and dealing with them before they lead to other substance abuse.
4. Michael shared that at one point when he thought he had it all, he actually had nothing. What did he mean by it?
5. It was his granddaughter that brought him down to his knees. He realized he was powerless against his addiction.
 - a. How was this hitting bottom?
 - b. Who was truly pursuing him?
 - c. Prayer made a difference. Is there someone praying for you or that you’re praying for now?
6. Read and talk about the following texts:
 - a. 2 Corinthians 5:16-18
 - b. John 3:14-18
 - c. Ephesians 4:17-24
 - d. 1 John 1:9; 2:1-2

Have you hit bottom in your own experience? Have you come to realize that Jesus is the only one that can truly change the human heart? We try and fail over and over again, but keep trying thinking one day we will overcome. Stop trying and give your fight to Christ, If it weren't for grace we would not have a chance.

7. I'd like to ask you the most important question of your life. Have you accepted Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior?

The Bible tells us that if we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Perhaps you've been you're just tired of the meaningless drama without God.

Today is the first day of the rest of your life. The Bible says that God so loved the world that He gave His only son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. Jesus died that you might live and he not only gives you the gift of eternal life but he gives you victory over sin through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pray right now and allow Jesus to come into your heart,

“Dear Jesus, I am a sinner and I have made terrible mistakes, but I'm tired of running and today I come to you in prayer. I ask you to forgive my sins, to change my life, to restore my soul. I accept you Jesus as my Lord and Savior. Fill me with the Holy Spirit that I might live in victory through you. Come into my heart, In Jesus name I pray, Amen.

Congratulations, by faith you are now a son of God.

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