

Sons and Daughters - Week 2

Two Blind Sons Living as Orphans

Both sons were blind to their father's _____ for them.

Both sons lived from a cycle of _____.

Both sons were trying to meet their own _____.

Both sons had life crippling _____ conditions.

1. Unhealed _____ in their heart - Self-sabotage with self-medication – Why?

- Afraid of being vulnerable because we don't know how to trust others. Our unhealed filter of past experiences teaches us that trust is too _____ and will likely result in more injury through judgment, betrayal and wounding.
- Our pain can be so _____ that we can't imagine life without it.
- The fear and expectation of being rejected _____ us to reject others first.
- What are some of your why's for self-sabotage and self-medication?

2. Unmet core need for _____ – looking for love in all the wrong places.

The orphan heart

- Regularly _____ the Father's love = hinders the ability to _____
- Fuels a faulty mind set to _____ approval –
 - Striving - _____
 - Isolation – _____
 - Easily Offended - _____
 - Accusing – _____
 - Pride - _____

QUESTION: Which son did you identify with most?

Key: Healing the pain in your heart must begin with getting your _____ firmly established (figured out) for walking forward.

POINT: When we choose to _____ from God's heart, it becomes harder and harder for us to recognize the truth about Father God and about ourselves.

GOOD NEWS! Our Father holds the door _____ for us. When we make the choice to return, Holy Spirit will _____ us to come home.

No Longer Orphans! You are _____ and _____!

Being born again restores our identity and _____ with Father God

- We are _____ in Christ = You and Jesus are in the Father's _____ together - John - 14:2
- You do not have a _____ nature (_____ nature). You have a _____ nature!
 - Your flesh nature has been completely _____ from you.
2 Cor. 5:14-15; Gal. 2:20; Rom. 6:2-11; Eph. 2:1-6; Col. 2:13.
 - When Jesus died on the cross, our _____ was crucified with Him.
 - When Jesus was resurrected, He released a new life and new _____ into His followers!
 - The writers of the NT clearly believed that Christians were _____ to walk in a completely _____ life (1 John 2:1-2).

- You do not have to _____ daily. Death of our old man was an _____ not a process!
 - Biblical metaphors of our death: Water Baptism (Rom 6:2-4) & Circumcision (Col 2:11-14)
 - To continue to try to _____ the flesh shows that one does not understand what Christ fully accomplished for you (1 Peter 3:18). _____.
 - There is no place in the Believers life to put themselves to _____. Once you are in Christ, you _____ have to die again.
 - Jesus put you inside Himself on the Cross and then _____ you with Resurrection Life as a New Creation.
 - 1 Cor. 15:30-32 – Paul is _____ talking about dealing with the flesh “I die daily”. He is describing the hard _____ he suffered for being a follower of Jesus.
- You do not have to take up your _____ Jesus already _____ that for you!
 - Luke 9:23; Luke 14:25-33. Jesus is talking to the nonbeliever explaining the _____ to follow Him.
 - “*Taking up the _____*” is a first century understanding to be willing to lay down one’s _____ and be branded by society as a criminal.
 - Jesus is _____ talking about how to win the battle against your _____ by applying His cross to your life! We cannot _____ anything to His finished work!
- Stop struggling with _____ and believing lies!
- _____ your freedom enough to choose _____-control. God’s grace will empower you to maintain that choice (1 Cor. 6:12)
- Live above the _____ – say no to orphan thinking!
- Acknowledge the old man is _____. _____ the powerful and valuable Identity of your new man!

Father God _____ Your True Identity!

Judges 6 - During the time of the judges in the OT, Israel experienced oppression from the Midianites (Midian means _____). For seven years!

- _____ name means ‘one who cuts to pieces’. A warrior – a powerful man.
- Even though he did not understand his _____ – God did!
- Eventually, Gideon _____ to believe what God said about him and stepped into his destiny, winning a great victory!

POINT: When we struggle with _____ thinking, Jesus speaks to us about our true identity in Him and our true destiny as Sons and Daughters. When we _____ that truth, take responsibility and _____ powerfully according to our identity – we will walk in freedom and victory _____ time!

Getting Personal sections are KEY! Potential weekly reading plan:

- Day 1: Intro and Loved and Approved
- Day 2: The Spirit’s Descent and The Blueprint
- Day 3: Knowing Who We Are
- Day 4: Overflowing with God
- Day 5: Getting Personal questions
- Day 6-7: Meditate over Truth Declarations

Don’t skip Getting Personal and Truth Declarations! This is where healing and revelation happens!