

## **Forming Good, Godly Habits**

It is so important to develop new, godly habits to replace the old ones. Such an important key to leading an overcoming life with the Lord.

### **Praying**

Jesus set aside time every day to pray. How much more should we? Prayer is talking to God. Sometimes you may think you are too busy to pray. I want to encourage you that your day will go much better starting the day in prayer.

1 Thessalonians 5:17, Ephesians 6:18, Jude 20:2, 2 Chronicles 7:14-16, Luke 6:12, Matthew 6:8-15, Matthew 7: 7-12, Matthew 26:41.

### **Reading the Bible**

Read the Bible daily and study God's Word. Memorize scripture. Attend Bible studies. Pray and ask the Lord to give you a hunger for the Word of God.

When you read your Bible, you get to know Jesus better. 1 Timothy 4:11-16, Psalm 119:11, 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

### **Personal Devotions**

Spend time with your best friend Jesus every day. Personal devotions allow us time with Christ in close companionship. Through the Bible, and the Holy Spirit, the Lord will share with us. I love the booklet My Heart, Christ's Home by Robert Boyd Munger. The Lord values the time you spend with Him also. Don't neglect this special time. Make the Lord a first priority in your life by starting the day with your personal devotions. John 10: 27-30, Matthew 14:23, Luke 6:12, 1 Timothy 4:7-8.

### **Go to Church**

Go to church where Jesus Christ is preached for worship, to hear the Word of God, encouragement, instruction, fellowship, and service. Hebrews 10:24-25, Exodus 20:8-11.

### **Christian Fellowship and Friends**

We should have around us only those that will encourage us in our walk with the Lord. Those that are sold out to the Lord. Don't hang around compromisers!

Remember friendship with the world is hatred towards God. James 4:4-10.  
Psalm 1:1-3, 1 Corinthians 15:33 says: Bad company corrupts good character.

### **Witness**

Tell others about Christ. Telling them about what he has done for you in your life is the most important witnessing tool. Prepare a personal testimony and be prepared to share it. 1 Peter 3:15, Acts 1:8, Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 4:13.

### **Keep Your Spiritual House Clean**

Live a life that is pleasing to the Lord. Remember what would Jesus do? WWJD. Jesus said if you love me you will obey me. 1 John 2:3-6, 1 John 2: 15-17, 1 John 3:6, 3:9-10, James 4:7-10, 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8, 5:22-24, Colossians 3:1-14, 2 Corinthians 10:5, 6:19, Psalm 119:1-3.

Along with keeping your spiritual house clean, it is very important to keep your physical home clean also. One time a friend of mine was co-counseling a woman with me who had a very disorderly home. Like the ones you see on those tv shows! She said something I will never forget. She said, "The physical home is a representation of your spiritual house." Meaning if your physical house is a wreck, your spiritual life probably is too. I tell everyone that I counsel to clean out their homes. Getting rid of things that have no place in a Christian home. Such as: Immoral books, magazines, movies, cd's, dvd's, bad games and toys, bad video games, occult items, new age items, crystals, religious items such as: buddhas, idols, etc.

As well as cleaning out your phone and computers and tablets of bad apps, websites, pornography, etc.

Pray, and ask the Lord to show you areas of compromise and anything that needs to be removed. Then clean house and throw it out!

### **Put on the Full Armor of God**

You are in a battle, be prepared! The battle you are in is spiritual, mental and physical. Prepare your mind, body and spirit. Christian warfare involves bringing all of our thoughts into alignment with the Lord's will. Failure to do so will lead to spiritual death. Ephesians 6:10-18, 2 Corinthians 10:4-5, Romans 12:1-2.