When Things Go Wrong

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A. Examine Yourself

- 1. Are you truly a disciple of Jesus Christ?
 - John 8:31-32 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."
 - Matthew 10:38 And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.
- 2. Do you love God as stated in;
 - Luke 10:27 ... 'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself."
- 3. Do you love your neighbour?
 - Luke 10:27-28 ... "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."

(This means that if you do not love your neighbor as yourself as Jesus has commanded, you will die)

- 4. Do you seek the Kingdom of God and it's righteousness first, or are you going about your own way?
 - Matthew 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

5. Are you keeping the temple of God holy as required by God?

1 Corinthians 3:17 If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

Remember, the Bible says, Jesus Himself will destroy you. Remember, the mercies of God are only for those who obey Him

Psalm 103:11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him;

6. Have you forgiven everyone?

Matthew 5:23-24 Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Matthew 6:14-15 "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

B. Repent

1. If you have failed in any of the above examinations, repent sincerely.

John 4:24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship inspirit and truth."

2. If you are now worshiping God just because you want your problem settled, that is hypocrisy.

You will worship Him because Jesus is God Almighty, and He suffered on the cross for your sins. Remember, Jesus came to call sinners to repentance.

Luke 5:32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."

Remember, the devil came to steal kill and destroy

John 10:10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

Therefore, if you are hypocritical, and insincere to Jesus Christ, you are in sin and the devil will steal, kill and destroy.

Remember, willful sin has no sacrifice left

Hebrews 10:26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins

If you sin willfully, you must cry out to God for mercy.

C. Getting God's Help

- 1. Although you may have sinned but not willfully, God says, "come boldly to the Throne of Grace".
 - Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.
 - 2 Timothy 2:13 If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself.

Remember, if you are faithless Jesus is faithful. If you are unfaithful and break covenant with Him willfully, then...

Hebrew 10:26-27 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

2. We must judge ourselves.

1 Corinthians 11:31 For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged.

D. Building Up Your Faith

- 1. Search for relevant scriptures for your particular need
- 2. Contact another brother / sister in Christ for counsel
- 3. Cast out the spirit of fear and confusion
- 4. Start listening to the Overcome CD and the Words of Jesus repeatedly.
- 5. List out all the things that Jesus has done for you.
- 6. Start audibly declaring praising Jesus and thanking Him even for this trouble', because He is building up your most holy faith through trial and tribulation, which was meant by the devil to capture your soul, but Jesus will set you free.
- 7. Sing praise and worship.

Psalm 105:2 Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works!

- 8. Pray in the spirit.
 - Jude 1:20 But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit

E. Remember Who Jesus Actually Is And Who You Are In Jesus

1. Jesus seated at right hand of Father God.

Ephesians 1:19-23

and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all

2. Jesus will send you the Holy Spirit.

John 14:26

the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Ephesians 2:4-7

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ

3. *Matthew 18:20*

For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."

4. Philippians 2:9-11

Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

5. Luke 10:19

Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

6. 2 Corinthians 4:8-9

We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed—