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# Miracles that follow the plow :: prayer for my struggle with lust

#### prayer for my struggle with lust, on: 2011/8/4 3:57

I feel like today possibly in a sense revealed to me the issue probably for my back issues, before i got hurt i began to str uggle with flirting with the girls at work and began to imagine the wrong things in my heart and then out of nowhere i beg an to have severe back problems. Well since my back was doing better i was pretty sure my back issue has been demo nic or the chastizement of the lord, i am completely sure about that. But since i came back to work their was a young chri stian girl who was 20 and a very nice and seemed well understood christian. She gave my wife and i a 60 gift card for oli ve garden as a gift, she said she wanted to try to cheer me up after seeing me struggle for so long to give me something to make me feel better. We were really shocked and very happy. My wife was shocked about this too and suprised some body would be so nice. Me and her also exchanged many christian books and cds as gifts to i guess to be nice to one a nother. She was someone who i really wanted my wife to meet and possibly become friends with knowing my wife is not born again. So to the point i began to talk to her about hanging out with my wife and stuff and i started pushing it to muc h not realizing i was lusting in my heart towards this girl. She then invited me and Allyce to go to six flags with her and ev en paid the tickets for us because we didn't have the money, she said she was going to buy them even if we said no. No w my wife was like i want to meet this girl and be friends with her. She actually is known for being kind to others at work t oo, she was homeschooled and everything.But, the problem came with me pushing to hangout with her and i mean i wo uld only do it with my wife and everything, so i thought everything was cool with me and the Lord. Well i started get the f eeling that i began having a lust issue with this girl and i mean she was not flirting with me or anything, but i knew i bega n to struggle again with this and i should have not been trying to get to hangout with her,, and i started praying to the Lor d if this was okay even if my wife was with us. I didn't get an answer for almost 2 days until i believe tonight when my wif e wanted to meet her so when i got off of work, so we went and met up with her and her 2 little brothers. I began to start getting attacked again in my back on the ride their until while we were their until we left and got worse and worse and i c ould barely move my neck and i was struggling with feeling in my body, and i just knew i had made a mistake, not that s he did anything wrong or even my wife, but i pursued this out of my own lust in my heart. I wanted to be friends with her, but i started to be attracted to her and i think that gave me more desire to have her hang with my wife, but i didn't recogn ize it at first i also want christian friends and acceptance for my wife and i and i think that pushed me. I at first was going to pray about this and let God work if he desired my wife to be friends with her, but i began to push it my way and this is what happened. I actually came home and had to text her and tell her that though i appreciate everything she has done and her kindness, but that i could no longer hang out with her or go to six flags, anymore until i overcome this problem or the Lord told me it was okay. It was really hard to tell her this, but i am very concerned that something worse could happe n to me, so i had to. My wife and her seemed to get along good, but i really screwed this up, doing things my way again. I think what also attracted me was that her church and pastor our very biblical too and i need to grow more, but i still thin k that lust is the cause of the evil pursuit. I just had no peace when i prayed about it if it was okay. My wife thinks i need t o stop this stuff, but i told her my struggle, she really wants to hang out with her, but i feel still that i will be putting myself in a situation which might hurt me again. i know this might sound crazy and everything, but this is my struggle. If you co uld please pray for my deliverance frommy lust and for my wife and i in this situation, and the girl tooo, i felt terrible havin g to tell her this, i wish i didn't have this lust issue but i do. Any wisdom too.

## Re: prayer for my struggle with lust - posted by Lovefirst (), on: 2011/8/4 5:38

Excuse me, I'm sorry but I must ask you some questions. Attraction to this girl, which isn't good since you are married, al so isn't lust. Lust would be wanting to be sexual with this girl, is what I think lust is. If I get around a female that I would most likely be attracted to, I will keep my distance as to keep from opening the door to lust. Are you sure it is lust?

Physical Pain directly from ones sin of lust? I've never heard of such a thing. Not saying it isn't so, just new to me.

#### Re: prayer for my struggle with lust - posted by Lysa (), on: 2011/8/4 6:29

Brother, we do get ourselves into messes, don't we! But why, WHY do you have this girl's phone number in your phone? Kind or not, homeschooled or not, she should have NEVER given a married male her number and you should have n ever taken it.

Ok, about this lust problem... When was the last time you fasted, without food, over this condition. You want God's attention and help, not ours.

God bless you, brother, Lisa

Fasting - abstaining from food for spiritual purposes.

## Re: prayer for my struggle with lust - posted by DEADn (), on: 2011/8/4 9:36

What you need to do is establish baselines for yourself. Get yourself grounded and then make those invisible lines of ho w close you know you can get to any girl before it is considered crossing the line for you. When you do this God will gi ve you that check mark. I established this shortly after I became a disciple when I was 20. It wasn't always perfect but I can tell you that when those series of temptations came my way and I was able to walk away from them by literal fait h- my emotions and hormones would be raging- I felt an inner strength rise up against me and those urges seemed to melt away and my heart seemed to rise in strength. It felt like I had just grown up and matured.

### Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/4 11:09

Bible4Life,

My heart goes out to you. Thank you for your honesty. Please be encouraged and remember that God disciplines those He loves (Hebrews 12:6).

Let's look at this biblically:

Is it wrong to have lustful thoughts even if I do not do anything physically? Yes. Matthew 5:28 - "But I say to you that eve ryone who looks at a woman "with lustful intent" (literally: to desire) has ALREADY committed adultery with her in his he art." I think it's pretty clear that the Holy Spirit has convicted you concerning the true intentions of your heart. Praise God, you are His child! (Hebrews 12:6-8)

Can I get physically chastised because of my sin? Yes. 1 Corinthians 11:30 - "That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died." (Also read verses 31-32 for important truths)

Should I break up this relationship if I find that it is leading me down the path of destruction? YES! The Bible doesn't say, "Resist sexual immorality", it says, "FLEE FROM SEXUAL IMMORALITY!" (1 Corinthians 6:18). (Conversely, read Jame s 1:14-16 whenever Satan tries to trip you up with lies.)

Is there hope for you? Yes! 1 Corinthians 10:13 - "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is f aithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation He will also provide the way of esc ape, that you may be able to endure it." 1 John 1:9 - "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to CLEANSE US from all unrighteousness." Hold on to those promises, because your life depends on it.

I personally prefer being judged as "cold", rather than being "too warm" (but really, flirtatious). The Holy Spirit clearly spe aks to me on this matter. I know when it is time to back off; God has taught me not to care what men (or women) think. (Being modest in our behavior is counter-cultural, yes, even the "American Christian culture") I suspect that the Holy Spirit has also been trying to tell you that, but you have been quenching His voice. Hebrews 3:15 - "As it is said, "TODAY, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

Okay, one final thought. Revelation 18:3-5 - "For all nations have drunk the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the power of her luxurious living." Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you tak e part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her i niquities." This isn't a game. Remember that the earth has been corrupted by her adultery. You must COME OUT OF H ER (let the reader discern), lest you take part in her sins! I know it's hard, but you must not take the broad evangelical w ay that leads to destruction! If you are God's child, the Holy Spirit will stir you up through these words and give you the st rength and faith to follow the narrow path (Matthew 7:13-14; Philippians 2:12-13).

In Christ, Renoncer

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/4 13:57

thanks for all the comments i appreciate them, do you think it is a bad idea for my wife alone to hang out with her, knowing i work with this girl.

## Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/4 14:23

Bible4Life.

You'll have to pray about that and see how the Spirit leads you. It could go one way or the other. I'm sure God will let yo u know.

In Christ.

Renoncer

### Re: , on: 2011/8/4 15:02

you know if i just did not have this lust in my heart the whole situation wouldn't be bad, but yah i just give this up to the L ord and let him.

## Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/4 16:32

Bible4Life,

There are some places I just don't go to, because it would be like shooting myself in the foot. In the same way, I don't run into the fire and I don't play with snakes.

If I come across a snake, I'll deal with it by God's grace. If I am engulfed in the fire, I'll deal with it, again, by God's grace. But, I won't ask for trouble, especially when God tells me to watch out about these things.

The Bible lays out certain principles to guide our daily lives and keep us out of trouble. The Bible also gives us tactics to use when confronted by the enemy (whether sin, or Satan, or the world). Not the other way around. We often stumble on that.

### Re: , on: 2011/8/7 10:01

The Number One issue is that your Wife is Not Saved.

The LORD could use this woman's friendship with your wife to help lead her to a saving Knowledge of Christ.

Could you not just let your wife be friends with her and for them to stay in contact and go places together and you stay home, or whatever?

I'm wondering, what is your wife seeing of Christianity?

Maybe this girl, being a strong Christian and attending a good Church, could be the answer to your wife finding Christ, a nd a good Church to attend, that you don't have to go to with her, because - the Number One issue is, to do all and anyt hing to see your wife get into the fold.

To see what real Christianity is, maybe for the first time in her life.

Praying for your wife and her salvation.

Praying she can have a good Christian Friend, a Good Witness & a Good Church and will continue to pray against any t hing that wants to stop that from happening, in Jesus Name.

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/8 0:45

i see what your saying sister, that really was my original purpose of this whole thing, but then i started to strongly attacke d with lust. I have been struggling all day long, it is crazy, then when i fall into having this wrong feeling or lust i feel as if the lord is going to chastize me, then i was thinking, i am trying to fight this, why would the Lord hurt someone who is trying to fight against it. Yes i would only want this if it is the Lords will. But thank you sister, thank you also for introducing the one brother to me, he understands me a lot which is good. But anyways, please keep me in prayer for me to be set free.

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/11 4:23

brothers and sisters please keep me in prayer i been heavily attacked with lust and the demonic attacks on my back extr emely, i am having a hard time getting through everyday with this, it is hard to work and just function properly because of all of this, you know examining the whole situation i have heard everything and i have contemplated whether or not am i truly saved, are these really demons r is this a real back injury or not, is this a chemical imbalance in my mind, or this a man struggling in his walk withthe lord, i am still trying to figure things out, this is not easy for me, i wish i never would ha ve allowed satan to ever have a stronghold in my life, but the lord is merciful and gracious. Please your prayers are always needed and appreciated.

### Re: - posted by Lovefirst (), on: 2011/8/11 4:34

I think it is very hard for anyone to be able to tell over the internet what exactly is going on dear brother. I am very sorry this is happening to you but I'm sure the Lord of Lords is in control. After reading this last comment I began to wonder if you don't have a prayer group you could reach out to? Are there no other Christians around that can get down on there knees with you and cry out to God? I would be praying for help from other brother and sisters in my area to come pray with me and seek the Lord on this very serious matter!

Bryan

#### Re: , on: 2011/8/13 4:06

I have met my pastor and even many brothers on the phone for prayer. As to update my situation my wife and this girl ar e hanging out still. I actually one day last week tried just to stop all kind of friendship at all and i told her that i could no lo nger hangout with her even when i am with my wife and also that i thought it would be good that she stopped hanging ou t with my wife because of my struggles. Well anyways she was fine with it, but my wife on the other hand was not at all t hrilled, she wanted to divorce me, she was tired of me ruining everything for her she said, well i ended up just telling the m if they want to be friends they can. I really just am trying to stay my distance. I prayed if it was Gods will then so be it, but if it wasnt that the Lord would just stop this whole thing, but they as of late are really getting along, i just pray that the Lords will be done, not mine. I still am hearing the voice that says that i am going to be punished worse with my back for getting myself involved with this whole mess, but i really have tried to get myself out of it, the problem is my wife wants to be friends. I just wish i knew if this was the Lord or if this was the enemy, because say i was going against Gods will then it is possible he might be chastizing my back because of that, but if this satan messing with my mind then it is demon ic spirits attacking my back and trying to decieve me. I as of late have been really trying to get closer to the Lord since all of this, please keep me in prayer still.And my wife's salvation.

### Re:, on: 2011/8/13 4:24

Yes Lysa i got rid of her phone number and even facebook, i am just letting my wife really communicate with her. My wife really wanted me to go to six flags with them, but i just don'think God wants me to go. She invited her over when i am working tommorow. I do wonder if i am freaking out too much, but i am having a lust problem with her, satan is also attacking me strongly with the lust, i really didn't feel this way until this whole hanging out thing happened. I really would rathe r not be thinking about this anymore and just focus on the lord, just keep praying for my peace, clarity of mind to make right decisions and just to hear the voice of god. Also protection.

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/13 4:25

please pray for the demons attacking my back and my mind to leave too, they just keep tormenting me everytime i sin or think i sin.

#### Re: - posted by Lysa (), on: 2011/8/13 7:23

Brother,

You didn't answer my question... have you fasted? This is one thing that YOU can do for yourself spiritually to get help a nd that is to fast while you pray. But as my pastor/mentor always said, "When you get sick and tired of being sick and tired, that's when you'll do something about it."

God bless you brother, I pray that you'll get sick and tired of being sick and tired very soon, Sister Lisa

## Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/13 7:46

Bible4life,

You need to stand on God's promises. Don't listen to the devil who tries to put fear in your heart. Listen to God's word. "The Lord rebuke you, Satan!"

Psalm 38 is for you, now. Cry out that prayer and remember that the one who wrote it was not damned, but was even a man after God's own heart.

After God has taken you through Psalm 38 and Psalm 39, He will take you to Psalm 40. Don't just read it. Make it your p rayer, make it your plea. Then, you will see that Psalm 34 is true.

In Christ Jesus, Renoncer

#### Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/13 7:54

Be encouraged. Listen to this sermon.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMQ648kpGhs

If you want more sermons like that, you can go to https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/viewcat.php?cid =902

### Re:, on: 2011/8/13 13:17

Lysa a few weeks ago i had fasted for 7 days straight before this exact temptation i have been off and on and i had pray ed a lot and got in the word, but their was no change and i got no answers really at all. I have fasted for a few days as of late off and on , sometimes throughout the day, God really has been silent to me from what I know of making this 100 m percent clear. Like i said i just want to focus on the things of God and not worrying about another woman. I really am str uggling right now and I just want to be right with God.

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/13 13:39

Brother Bryan/Lovefirst gave the Best advise.

"I would be praying for help from other brothers in my area to come pray with me and seek the Lord on this very serious matter!"

... Lest we cause a younger brother to stumble on a public forum, by intimating that GOD is not faithful to deliver and that this particular sin must go on for countless years, which is not Scriptural - as it is written, that we are to flee youthful lus ts and possess our own vessels, etc, etc that will be found as one does a Topical Study on this issue.

### Re: bible4life - posted by Lysa (), on: 2011/8/13 14:17

#### Quote:

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Brother, I know you are struggling and I do not know why God has been silent on His end.

but I do know that fasting works so don't give up on it and the Lord. In Acts 13, the disciples were fasting when God call ed Paul and Barnabas to His work and when they got the call what did they do? Fasted again!!!

All I'm trying to say brother is that fasting is a lost art of the church and we should fast a LOT more than we do and don't give up during this time you need to hear from the Lord. Fast again and fast again.

If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Luke 11.11

God bless you brother John, Sister Lisa

### Re: Carter Conlon's message from TSC Aug. 14. 2011 - posted by Joyful\_Heart, on: 2011/8/14 16:17

http://sermon3a.tscnyc.ws/2011/mp3g/20110814S1.mp3

"Let No Enemy Find Safety" Carter Conlon

See if this message speaks - must hear the whole message.

#### From me.

The second a thought of any kind that is not of God comes to me I know I cant fight the battle alone. Not a problem with I ust but pride, jealously, revenge, unforgiveness, an offense - no matter how small or large the thought, if it is not God, I r ebuke the thought "Get behind me satan" In Jesus Christ's power Name and then quote Scripture. I have tried on my ow n but there is so much power in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Have some Scripture ready to say out loud.

I pray this will help you too. And do it right that second too. Then I begin to praise Him and thank Him. All glory to God.

Pretty soon satan will give up and see you mean business and God is on your side In Jesus Name.

Will be standing in prayer with you. God is faithful.

### Re:, on: 2011/8/16 22:01

I believe the Lord has given me my last warning to falling into my lust again, i am trying to surrender this please keep me in all the prayer you can, i am going to be trying to get another job and just keep my eyes focused on the lord and my wif e, please i need strong prayers. I am very weak. Pray for my wife Allyce to she is taking this hard to understand all of thi s.

#### - posted by nizero, on: 2011/8/18 14:31

brother, one recommendation that I can give you is that you are dwelling on these aspects far too much. A fleeting thought and dwelling thoughts are very different and there is a point where your dwelling WILL cause you to stumble.

It is a battle of the mind as you can see. All thoughts about this individual must flee your mind quickly. Renounce and repent quickly.

It is better for you spend your thoughts on how to advance Jesus kingdom rather then these lowly things.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

## Re: - posted by brothergary, on: 2011/8/19 3:58

can i ask if it was a full seven days fast with out any food

### Re: , on: 2011/8/19 10:57

yes it was a full 7 days, if not a few hours short of it.

### Re: - posted by brothergary, on: 2011/8/20 3:13

and you said it didnt help is that right

gee ,i dont no what to say

are you in your opinion envolved with qeustional teachings

that are not realy bibical

or asy other ever told you your are messing with false teaching

just a question brother

becasue false teaching depening on what type can open the door to demonc influnence

i dont want to upset you ,im just asking ,thats all

## Re: - posted by mguldner (), on: 2011/8/20 3:25

http://ellerslie.com/Eric Ludy Sermons/Entries/2011/2/27 Horses and Chariots of Fire.html

Brother John follow the link and listen to the sermon, it was a blessing to me and I believe it will be a blessing to you. So metimes our lack of faith is the true sin that resides in us. We must give up and let Christ take care of us HE is faithful to WORK in You, Do you believe this? If you don't then Believe its the Word of God and if you do grab it and hold onto it a nd act upon it. I will keep praying brother.

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/22 1:06

thanks brother i will take a listen.

### RU - posted by dolfan (), on: 2011/8/24 21:34

Brother, I saw on an old post that you have an RU chapter at your church. My guess is that you are not in the curriculu m, not following the discipleship plan under your pastor. If I'm wrong, please accept my apology for guessing.

#### Re: RU, on: 2011/8/25 0:36

Yah i have been out of church an a month now, with how everything had been going i really didnt feel it was right for me to go to back, i stopped doing the bible study i was leading their and also the one at my work. I was just not in the spiritu al state to lead them anymore, i also had a lot of pride that was left unchecked. i also have been questioning my salvation for a long time to. To sum it up i really need to just get everything right with the lord, i am a big mess in general.

### Re: - posted by crusader (), on: 2011/8/28 20:33

Hi Bible4life

over the last 3months i have been underfire big time, at first temptation was so strong that sin won in my life the more ip rayed and repented the more my sin increased. i felt so condemnd that 5 days ago i was in the brink of loosing my mind and committing suicide over my sexual sin. i had no where else to go so i prayed to the Father and asked him to bring someone in my life that would give me his word. A holy spirit filled man of God came into my life and prayed with me and everyword he said broke these things over me and for the first time i actually felt free. as a result my mind has been in peace and the Father is ministering to me everyday.

Satan brings condemnation to cloud our understanding of what our relationship is with him. it distorted his grace towards me so much so that i believed i could be holy by my works.this was a trap in my thinking almost like a python that slowly crushed me to a point that i couldnt breath. condemnation brings fear, conviction brings truth and freedom. after i felt Go ds grace towards me things started to change almost rapidly. the world will cut up and destroy bruised reids but the Fath er does not he heals them. when God showed me this i felt his love for me so much so that i started crying in cafe becau se this was something new to me.

his peace entered my heart and i found a new joy in the knowledge of who i am too him.

i had a destorted picture of who a father should be due to my own father and when it came to love what was love? today i am sitting hear with a smile on my face cause i know what a real father feels like that loves me. anyway i pray that in the mist of your fear that the father will show you his grace for you through Jesus Christ. Know this that the Father has known you and knows where you are at go to him in jesus name and seek his comfort and grace.

### Re:, on: 2011/8/29 1:22

great to hear about your deliverance, praise God. I am doing better with the lust, just have to be weary.

## Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2011/8/29 14:44

Brother, I won't needle you. But, I will say this as a brother. Please, before the Lord, I beg you to get back there and get back into RU.

We both know that Jesus wants you for His own. He wants to lead you, shepherd you, love you, tend to you, grow you, reshape you and put you on strong spiritual footing so that when all the fiery darts of the wicked one are exhausted, you stand. Can you pray that? Can you just stop where you are this moment and confess to God that you are His, and that all your own ways, thoughts, justifications, excuses and weights are of your own devises? Can you honestly cast off tho se weights you've strapped onto your shoulders?

Might I gently suggest something? I don't know you, but I believe (sense in the Spirit) that you are a proud brother. You have stood against the attack of the enemy, but on your own power and your own terms. You've been overtaken by one who says, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know, but I don't know you." You've been whipped by lust, temptation, enticement, sin, and disobedience in part because of pride. I don't know if your pride is a pride of the eyes, of the flesh or the pride of life -- that is, I don't know if you esteem yourself among men by virtue of possession and status, whether you have purs ued the things and affections of others because you didn't have them and decided you wanted them (i.e., another man's woman or another woman than your own), or if you've simply thought highly enough of your own self that you neglected the salvation that snatched you from the fires of hell in the first place. BUT, what I read when you minimize the helpful pl eas of others -- i.e., when you say that you've been out of church and don't feel right going back, etc. --that seems proud

May I humbly ask you to do something? Spit that pride out. If you were wronged, please suffer the wrong as Jesus suff ered wrong. If you weren't wrong, seek peace with all men and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord. One or the other must be true, surely. Go back. Get into the curriculum again. Dive back into the study of the sincere milk of the Word and let the Holy Spirit nurture you back to strength so that you can come to the table of the Lord and dine on the bread of life and receive the meat of strong doctrine and a made-right spirit.

I pray the Lord's victory for you, my brother.

### Re:, on: 2011/8/30 2:10

Brother thank you for being honest with me. I do feel i have pride in my heart and i don't know exactly myself what it is e xactly but i feel i do have it.

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/30 23:19

Brother today was really strange and i am being truthful, i went downtown with my wife and her sister today and this spirit came on me and it was a spirit of pride that was trying to confuse me and tell me i was god and it hounded me all day. Then we had drove by my church today and this spirit of hatred came out of nowhere as we passed the church. I have realized that i over the past couple of years have grown bitter towards my church and christians in general, i use to go to church and felt not accepted so i stopped going for some time and never had anyone contact me or anything so i grew even more bitter and i think angry at my church. Then i started going to church again this past year more often with a new pastor and he gave me a chance to preach and lead bible studies and i began to teach and i think look down upon the church members and started lifting myself up because of my knowledge. I have a problem with a lack of acceptance and i grow bitter and jealous really easy and i get angry easy too. But i have so much pride in me, not just lust but pride, ang er, bitterness, jealousy, unforgiveness and hatred towards many people and christians and my church. Please pray about this for me, i feel absolutely miserable and unable to get rid of all of this.

### Re:, on: 2011/8/31 0:51

i really am at a breaking point, brothers and sisters please pray for me, i really can't take much more of all my problems and sins and confusion.

## Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/31 9:32

Bible4life.

I think Dolfan put his finger on the root of the problem.

When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom. (Proverbs 11:2)

Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. It is better to be of a lowly spirit with the poor than to divide the spoil with the proud.

(Proverbs 16:18-19)

You see, you want others to think you are a spiritual giant, that you ought to be their teacher. But, the Lord is showing yo u that apart from His grace, you are powerless and worthless. What is it worth to have knowledge without power? What is it worth to know the Bible, and yet be unable to do what is says? (James 1:22-25)

For the kingdom of God does not consist in talk but in power. (1 Corinthians 4:20)

The Lord is disciplining you and showing you that you are nothing. Only when you humble yourself before men and before God will the Lord give you deliverance. I am speaking from experience of having been disciplined because of my sinful pride. Oh, but praise the Lord that He is treating you as His child! (Hebrews 6-8)

Here is what you need to do: Confess your sins to your brothers and sisters in the Lord. Confess your pride. Confess your condescending attitude. Confess your lust. Confess your lack of self-control. Confess your bitterness and jealousy. C onfess all known sins. Call it what it is. Have the people pray over you. Then, let the Spirit of God do His work. (James 5: 16) Instead of hiding behind a computer screen, come out in the open before your brothers and sisters of your own chur ch.

I have confidence that you will be healed and delivered. But, you must humble yourself first.

In Christ Jesus, Renoncer

#### Re:, on: 2011/8/31 13:01

i have a lot of pride aND EVIL THOUGHTS TOO TOWARDS PEOPLE, I HAVE LOOKED DOWN ON PEOPLE A LOT. I realize their was a time when this all began, which could be lack of acceptance of me or when people seemed to not car e about me and throughout my life it has just grown to bitterness and anger and hatred. I mean when the Lord first came into my life i did forgive people and let things go usually as soon as they hurt me, but my sexual sin could have brought other sins in my life that started manifesting, because things just got worse after i fell into sexual sins. Maybe this was the fruit of my bondage to it possibly. But anyways, please pray the Lord would bring godly conviction and godly repentance into my life that i may truly repent and have godly sorrow. I just feel the lord has just let me go in a sense, things just won't get better.

#### Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/31 16:05

Bible4life,

Don't let the devil discourage you and make you think that there's no hope. There is hope. Is the arm of the Lord too sho rt that it cannot save? Of course not! (Isaiah 59:1) Take the sword of the Spirit (the Word of God) and begin using it the way it was meant to be used. When temptation to lust comes, quote Matthew 5:27-30, 1 Corinthians 10:13, Ephesians 5: 3-5, 1 Peter 1:14-16, until the Spirit of God has slain the temptation. The Word of God is mighty, and so is His Spirit. Fin d the passages that apply to your situation, memorize them, and have them handy for the day of evil, so that you may be able to stand. And, once you have done everything, YOU WILL STAND.

But, you need to go to your church and CONFESS YOUR SINS TO THEM, and for THEM TO PRAY OVER YOU. The b est thing for you is to bring out everything in the light and to throw yourself upon Christ as your life depends on it.

May God have mercy on you. Remember, His mercies are NEW every morning.

In Christ Jesus, Renoncer

#### Re: - posted by learjet, on: 2011/8/31 20:12

Bible4life,

You wrote:

Who told you that? What lying spirit?

Jesus said "I will NEVER leave you or forsake you"

Many time demonic forces will come at mind mind 'like an angel of light' just like yours, only to be rebuked and sent awa y.

We can't erase our minds but we can confess our sin and "If we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness." 1 John 1:9 that my friend is the truth.

So when demonic forces try to remind me of my sins, I remind them that I have confessed my sin and because He is fait hful and just, He forgives me. I don't go on and on anymore confessing sins that I've already asked forgiveness for, to do so would be unbelief, if His Word says that I am forgiven, all I have to do is believe what He said in His word, and I'm forgiven.

To be sure there will be flaming arrows launched into my mind from the evil one, but the shield of faith protects me and t hey usually bounce off and go away. What is my faith in? "If we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness." -1 John 1:9

The devil will shoot thoughts into your mind and then tell you how dirty you are for the thoughts that he placed there, it's a tactic that used to work but now I recognize the source, you can too. Stand firm!!!

Praise the Lord and I hope this helps you! (I know it did me when I got the revelation)

#### Re:, on: 2011/9/2 6:33

I think that has been one of my deepest struggles is believing lying spirits, that is what has been the cause of my contino us back problems. You know 4 years of fear in the same condition is not a good thing, well 4 years of believing a lie, with my soul and just all these demonic attacks, i am trying to believe the truth. Please pray that Christ would help me stand up in faith against the lie of satan and that i would trust His word. I know that i have sin that has also brought this struggl e upon me, but i see that i need to be made clean in my heart and i want to, i want to be set free and live whole heartily for Jesus. Today i feel bombarded again by these spirits with my sin and my back again , willl you please pray against the ese spirits with me that are trying to torment me everyday and not just for my peace, but for God's glory and that I would learn to honor Christ fully in my life for now on. I need to believe so much.

## Re:, on: 2011/9/4 1:17

You know i have just came to end of all of this, i cant ever seem to find any hope the last 4 years. I feel the Lord has just gave up on me and let me go completely. I don't know how much i have just sought and sought the Lord in prayer and g ot into his word and done almost everything you can do to be free. But my heart just gets harder and harder and i am giv en into more and more of my sins, i just feel like the Lord has completely left m forever, i have no hope. I have sought C hrist and begged for mercy to no avail, this is the faith that i had so desperately needed mercy and when you look at the scriptures it seems that is what it proclaims is mercy, but i have just not found it. I have screwed up my life, but no matter how much will power i just can't believe, i desire more than anything to believe and know Christ again, but he has left me and will not return, i give up, i can't go on like this sometimes i have hope, but then i get harder and harder and never ch

ange and never have faith and never am delivered, i am just tortured day in and day out, my life is now just all in vain wit hout Christ, but he will never come back to me.

### Re: - posted by MyVeryHeart (), on: 2011/9/4 1:41

Come unto me, all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; fo r I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke easy, and my burden is light.
-Matthew 11:28-30

### Re: - posted by brothergary, on: 2011/9/4 2:52

brother have you been involved with the word of faith movment or with teachings in conection with tod bently

### Re:, on: 2011/9/6 1:09

no not at all, but i did come to the Lord through healing by Christ, but the healing brought me to the reality of God and a desire for God's word and to desire to obey God's word, i don't know for sure if i was really converted but by desires did change and i could sense the difference between the lost and the saved, and i lost a lot of desire for the things of the wo rld and desired the things of God, everything really got bad for me when i fell into sexual sin 2 months later and stayed in an unrepentant state for about 3 years. Since then my spiritual life has been just hurt and i just been on a downward spir al since falling into these sexual sins with an unsaved women who i am now married to, but love dearly. I believe the Lor d has forgiven me, but i am just finding it impossible to walk in the Spirit and just believing the Lord, my faith has been w ounded severely and i just really seem to have lost the voice of God. Through this i try to obey the Lord and just continu e to fall, and when i am serving i fall fast back into sin because i don't feel empowered at all to live for Christ, i feel like a dead man walking. I just feel so corrupt. I know things would change if Gods Spirit was working in me.

### Re:, on: 2011/9/6 7:03

Brothers and sisters can you pray for me strongly again today i am being heavily under attack again with my pride and lu st again at my job and it is opening the door to demonic attacks again on me, please pray for my protection and strength and deliverance, i really need to get another job, i am just to weak to work around a bunch of women, some days i am st rong and can avoid it as much as possible, but i just seem to not be strong enough. Please pray strongly for me, i am be coming very burdened by all of this again.

### Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2011/9/6 7:12

Brother,

The Lord is able to keep you from falling. He is your strength and His grace is sufficient for you. God's grace is made per fect in your weakness, so you must not only acknowledge your weakness, but trust in the One that lives in you, who will deliver you from every evil work of the enemy.

Mike

### Re: - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/9/6 13:32

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMQ648kpGhs

After the music and the prayer comes a powerful sermon...

## Re: - posted by Benjamin7 (), on: 2011/9/6 13:43

The power of God is in the gospel of Jesus-Christ.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone who believes (Rom 1:16a)

For the preaching of the cross is foolishness to those being lost, but to us being saved, it is the power of God. (1Co 1:18)

On that cross Jesus took your sins away brother, it is done! How you feel does not change this truth for it is written:

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! (Jea 1:29b)

He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. (Héb 9:26b)

Dear borther, God showed His love towards you before you ever repented, for it is written:

But God commends His love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. (Rom 5:8)

He also tells you that he will continue to grant you repentance and victory, for it is written:

Truly He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? (Rom 8:32)

Do you believe Him? Trust him when he tells you:

If confess sins, faithful and just to forgive sins, and to cleanse from all unrighteousness. (1Jn 1:9)

Trust him because He is willing to forgive you all your sins, for it is written:

My little children, I write these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the F ather, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He is the propitiation concerning our sins, and not concerning ours only, but also concerning the sins of all the world.

(1Jn 2:1-2)

Brother, every day of your life until you die or Christ comes back God is calling you to:

Repent, and believe the gospel. (Mar 1:15b)

God's blood can cleanse your conscience from all your dead works, for it is written:

How much more shall the blood of Christ (who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God) purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? (Héb 9:14)

And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me to His heavenly kingdom, to whom be glory fore ver and ever. Amen. (2Tm 4:18)

Your faith in the gospel is what is being attack my friend. You have been reconciled to God through Jesus! This is true. Simply continue to trust Him to get you to the end. He can save you, for it is written:

Therefore He is able also to save to the uttermost those who come unto God by Him, since He ever lives to make interc ession for them. (Héb 7:25)

Persevere in the hope of the gospel

And you, who were once alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and without blemish, and without charge in His sight, if indeed you continue in the faith grounded and settled, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which you have heard and which was proclaimed in all the creation under Heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister. (Col 1:21-23)

Keep yourself in the love of God

But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, eagerly awaiting the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to everlasting life. (Jud 1:20-21)