

**Articles and Sermons :: I'am a Backslider. What can i do to get close to Jesus again?**

I'am a Backslider. What can i do to get close to Jesus again? - posted by danieljesus9, on: 2012/6/23 12:07

Hello,

for years i life in sin. But i want back to Jesus. I know him but iam far away from him. I think i dont love him. But i want b ack.

Do you know a sermon about Backsliders?

Re: I'am a Backslider. What can i do to get close to Jesus again? - posted by danieljesus9, on: 2012/6/23 12:17

Sometimes i think i cant get back because of some Scriptures. I dont see the light there is only darkness around me...

Re: danieljesus9 - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 12:21

RE: danieljesus9 wrote/ Sometimes i think i cant get back because of some Scriptures. I dont see the light there is only darkness around me.../

You are seeing some light to be able to come to that conclusion.

What do you believe is holding you back??

Re: - posted by danieljesus9, on: 2012/6/23 12:29

The Sin in my life. I know a time when i feel pain over my sins. But now i know that iam wrong but there is no pain. This pain over my sins was a work from the holy spirit and i think hes gone. What can i do when hes gone?

Re: danieljesus9 - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 12:33

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Sounds like you need a break through.

Re: danieljesus9 - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 12:35

What is it worth to you, to be restored??

You can be restored - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 12:42

You can be restored, I am sure of it, But you have to earnestly desire to be

Re: You can be restored - posted by danieljesus9, on: 2012/6/23 12:59

Yes I think so sometimes. But I think it would be very hard. I must give everything. Really everything. And this will be a combat in which I fall and get up again. But it's so hard when I do not feel that Jesus is with me. In the morning wake up. Thank you brother. I will try again to give Jesus everything and will fight with all my strength for that. He is my only hope. Please pray for me .. My name is Daniel and I'm from Germany.

Re: - posted by roadsign (), on: 2012/6/23 13:33

Some fabulous sermons for you - by Earnest O'Neil:

A Clean Heart
A Heart Cleansed by Faith
A New Start

found here:

<https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/viewcat.php?cid=437>

Re: danieljesus9 - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 13:39

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Daniel, I have been exactly where you are. Look to the Cross in vision The Cross lay your heart at rest in the Finished work of God if need be Fast until you get a complete breakthrough.

RE: Daniel wrote /He is my only hope. Please pray for me .. My name is Daniel and I'm from Germany./

I will pray for you He is your only hope. Remember he saves sinners not righteous do not worry about cleaning yourself up first, He will do that, Throw your sins to the Cross. And Believe in His Love

Re: when you find rest - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 13:45

When you find rest, walk in a direction that maintains that rest that peace, if you fall repent and return to that peace, Move where that peace moves you.

Everybody please pray - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 14:27

Everybody please pray for Daniel

Luke 15

4 What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?

5 And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

6 And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.

7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

8 Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it?

9 And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

11 And he said, A certain man had two sons:

12 And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto

o them his living.

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there was
ted his substance with riotous living.

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and
d I perish with hunger!

18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion,
and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be calle
d thy son.

22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes
on his feet:

23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:

24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

25 Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.

26 And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.

27 And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him sa
fe and sound.

28 And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.

29 And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy com
mandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:

30 But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted c
alf.

31 And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, a
nd is found.

Re: - posted by Sree (), on: 2012/6/23 14:43

Quote:

I will try again to give Jesus everything and will fight with all my strength for that. He is my only hope. Please pray for me .. My name is Daniel and I'm from Germany.

I believe the problem is here, "fight with ALL MY STRENGTH". This was the problem with me 2 years back and with many faithful believers who come to Jesus Christ. We get into the life of Romans 7 very easily where we embrace law and start fighting temptations by our own strength. But to get into life as described in Romans 8 we need to be broken, and believe that my strength is over. I need God's grace to live for him. By my strength I cannot do it anymore.

The very first miracle that Jesus did was to convert water to wine, he did not do this miracle until the man made wine ran out. Jesus in our life is waiting for this man made wine (Human strength) to run out. Accept your weakness and ask for grace. His grace can make you Christlike, if we can live like Christ by our own strength then why did God give us Holy Spirit? Seek you will get and seek with right motive, to Glorify him.

Re: Sree - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/6/23 14:53

Amen.

Re: , on: 2012/6/23 15:17

Daniel

What was it that caused you to fall away?

Brenda

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2012/6/23 15:23

"Are You Backsliding?" (parts 1 and 2)- Michael L. Brown.

Sounds like you know you are-- but the sermon talks about remedies as well.

<https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/viewcat.php?cid=453>

Re: - posted by danieljesus9, on: 2012/6/24 2:28

Thank you for your prayers and posts. Everybody tells me that I should not fight in my power. But what does that mean exactly? For example, I smoke, and I think the Holy Spirit tells me, "If you smoke and do not want to stop then you are living in sin" Am I to wait until God does a miracle and I no longer smoke?

I think there is a difference between living in sin and sinning. And I have to decide whether I want to live in sin or not. I believe God will not help me if I'm living in sin. When I was born again I knew that I'm saved and the Holy Spirit showed me what sin is and what is not. And he also showed me that I should not live in sin.

I will sin my life. But I have to decide not to live in sin.

I'm very confused. I do not understand everything. What should I do? I think God got me saying: "stop living in sin, and trust me, turn around"

Is that correct?

@Kraftfrau (are you German?)

The fear of man! I was afraid of people and have again started to take drugs and ran away from Jesus.

Re: - posted by vivmeeraj (), on: 2012/6/24 2:44

I guess most of the sincere believers have gone through this. I do not know of everyone, but know of one, that is myself. I was struggling with a lack of consistency which is generally termed as backsliding but in a specific expression, SIN. Many years since I came to faith, I didn't experience a victorious christian life. Some years back, defeated and dejected and totally lost in my spiritual war, I told Jesus, that I do not have what it takes to be a spiritual man.

brother, that was the turning point in my spiritual life. God lifted me off the pit I had stooped down to. Now many of those areas are history. I am experiencing the power of god, which came from my inadequacy when I admitted like a child to it's father that I couldn't make it.

He is a holy god but at the same time, He is a loving father. Trust in Him. Accept your inadequacy. Admit, you cannot make it on your own. I stopped smoking when I came to faith. But that was not the biggest sin in my life. There were many areas which were even more serious. But when my lord pulled me up with His power, I do not even consider them anymore.

Later, when I was meditating Luke, I saw how many foolish things Peter did before he 'realized' he was not good and wasn't fishing again. It was then our Lord ordained him!! how amazing are His ways. We need to empty our inferior self will to let god pour His love and His Spirit.

I am sure, you will come out victorious in your struggle as you admitted you have back-sliden. Now just submit yourself in the mighty hands of the Lord and wait for His move.

Only make sure, you submit - COMPLETELY.

God bless you dear brother.

Re: , on: 2012/6/24 5:37

Daniel, no but I lived in Berlin.

Looking deeply into our hearts, we can find the thoughts that caused division in our relationship with our Lord. Why did you not trust Him to protect you and only allow what is to your good? Mostly the reason why bad things happen is because we are not walking right. If we compromise with sin then we step outside of that protection, and if we are walking right then whatever happens to us does not scar us in our minds because we are trusting Him and know that whatever befalls us is for a purpose so we praise Him in everything, even in the most terrible circumstances we are happy to suffer for Christ. So the first step is to acknowledge our own responsibility in what happens to us while we are playing games with sin.

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2012/6/24 6:57

go back to the foot of the cross my friend back outside the gate

drink the gospel into your soul once more

identify yourself with the death of Christ see him in your mind suffer for your sins and not that you are dying with him or that cross or that you have died in present tense reality, and if you have died, then you have also in reality died to sin

brother for the sake of your soul and for the primary sake of Jesus' death, may I remind you of what he did, by posting a message of his death,,,just meditate and think deeply about the death and ponder the power of the resurrection

blesings brother gary

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2012/6/24 7:02

come reckon your selfs dead unto sin

come to a quite place ,and look ,,see the lord

he is hanging on the cross for us

see the blood

the pain

watch the scracrifice of the holy lamb

see how he offers him self to god for us

listen, hear the earth quake

and cry of the lamb

listen to the cords of sin break ,wile he screams

behold ,behold ,what he speaks

my god my god my whydid you have to for sake me

it is finished

he has broken the head of the snake

the propishiation ,the offering is compleat

the son has set you free

and you are free indeed

he has broken the power of sin over his people

truly this was the son of god

who was brusied for our iniquity

the chastisement of or peace was upon him

he bore our sins,listen to his pain

and by thsesse strips we are heald

the cords of sin are gone

the leash of iniquity ,has been releasd

he has set you free from the leash of slavery

sin has not dominion over us

he condemed sin in the fleash

you are free ,he set you free

recker your selfs dead unto sin

sins dominion,was nailed to the cross

he who new no sin became sin
cursed is he who hung on the tree

the curse is left you ,,now you leave the curse on that tree

leave your old master ,on that cross

resiste the devil ,and he will flee from you

take the grain of mustard seed on thy lips

let it sprout and grow and fruit
confess the truth to one another

he set you free
indeed you are free

the cross has set you free
what was naid to the alter
beacme your freedom

rejoyce now in your liberty
wher sin abounded
grace abounded more

he set you free

step out from the old traps
dont let the traps in tangle you,you are allready free
you are a new creatour now
walk by faith
for i know my sheep
and they follow me
undure the narrow path ,that i made for you
and you are saved

no one is able to pluck you out of my hand

you have crusafied the flesh ,and it passions

listen to the screams of the flesh

there death has come
as a flower of the field passes away ,when i make the sun rise ,,the flower has been cut from you ,walk away now

dont hold onto ,a cut rose and look at its dieing atraction

walk now ,to the tomb ,behold ,and see im not there

iam vindacated ,so are you you ,come to me ,hold me

see that it is me ,but hold thy brothers by the hand ,and bring him to me „pull him away
from the roses „leave him not on the out skirts of the camp „lead him through the gate to my feet where i hung for you „
forget your different doctrines ,like my two twin sons ,that i raised up for my sake and for your sake ,and remember my fi
rst's funeral
and the spirit that was there that i gave for the bond of peace

and hold each one's hand with a brotherly kiss for a second

and look to me „remembering your self

and i shall lift you in my sanctification ,which i sanctified you with,, touch not my liberties with all your heart

but touch my hands and feet ,and my side ,with all your stare „separate your self for a season

and then you will know that i have separated you for ever

separated your self ,the season is come

and the season itself will separate you

it is the season for rain ,.

come and be washed in this new rain of old

blow the trumpet ,there is a wet season ,and a flood

this flood will only go down a narrow tributary ,this season

but the richness in the water ,will feed the trees ,and the trees will indeed bear fruit ,and the fruit will be stored in my barns ,and will feed the thirsty ,in the dry season which is near ,and they shall ask and it will be given „this will produce a different harvest ,from the last four „it will be my best fruit in the last minute of my last hour of my last days ,

and behold this will prepare my way and make my paths straight „my prophets are coming,for i myself have raised them before the world was ,and i will lead them as i led you and you will surely know who are olive trees in the season to come ,,,

now i call you ,all,, to repent ,and i do not your works , even my prophets ,and my pastors

all of you at this time shall repent

and hear what your everlasting father is saying to you

listen to me ,as you are my children „and i have some things more for all of you

some shall do the first works
and others shall do the works that you have never done yet

and even my weak wayward son whom i speak through this minute,,he must dig very deep and repent and do works he has never done and bear fruit of deep repentance ,and prove his love to me

my grace is sufficient

and i will supply according to need

this is what the lord is saying to you

my word is in you

and in your mouth

listen to what the spirit is saying to you tonight

Re: - posted by roadsign (), on: 2012/6/24 7:45

Just curious, Daniel,

Have you had a chance to listen to any of the sermon audios I posted on page one - about having a clean heart. If so, how well did Rev. O'neil address your particular situation, and how do his words impact you at this point?

Diane

Re: daniel - posted by Sree (), on: 2012/6/24 8:07

Quote:

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Christian life is not a theoretical life, where you just read and believe that it should be true. It is a practical life and you can experience what you read. Since I was one of those who told you earlier that you need to depend on God to fight, I will take this responsibility to answer the above quoted question.

When we are born again we receive the Holy Spirit, it is practical, I received and you too received him and that is why you proclaimed that Jesus Christ is Lord. The main purpose of Holy Spirit is to bring conviction of Sin (John 16). And you have experienced it saying I got conviction to Leave smoking. Now you have to repent from Smoking when you received this conviction, which means to quit smoking and turn to God. Repentance is 180 degree turn. This is a step that you take. But this repentance does not mean that you will not be tempted, may be within next 5 mins (assuming you are a chain smoker- worst case scenario) you will be tempted again to smoke.

Now you have 2 choices, either you can fight this temptation by your own strength and lose the battle OR seek God for help. Now if you turn to his direction for Strength, he will give it to you for sure, it is his promise based on 1 Corinthians 10-13:-

No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

God has already provided a way out for you in every temptations that you face, it is like the exit signs that you see in a building, but you will see it only when you look above. If you look into your self to find a way to exit you will not see it.

If the building that you are visiting gets caught in fire, will you rely on your own ability to find the exit? No right, you will look up to see the exit signs. Sin is much greater than fire because it can lead your soul to permanent destruction in Hell.

Re: - posted by MrBillPro (), on: 2012/6/24 10:13

Daniel, I have been there before. Brother let me tell you a few things that will probably go against the grain here, that personally helped me. Daniel there is no such thing as you "backsliding", that even sounds terrible, terrible enough for some it can hold some under condemnation. What you have done is fell out of fellowship with Christ. Daniel hundreds of sermons, and 5 books later, I was still at the same place, what I did was, keep my distance from "man" and gave it all to God. Night and Day 24/7 I keep in Prayer, I literally walked and talked to God, I went to sleep and woke up Praying, 100% of my focus was on him, man means well, but man can't fix you, only God can do that. I know we all are sincere in sharing what we think might help you, but books and sermons can be confusing when we are out of fellowship with God, but trust me God is spot on, never any confusion. Daniel, God wants you to put him first and foremost, books can't heal and sermons can't heal, but God can, Brother go to the "healer" first, he wants you to do this, after all who knows more about Daniel than God? no one. Brother, again I am only telling you what I had to personally do, that has brought me closer than I have ever been to the Lord in my life, I do intake some of mans thoughts, but I let God do the filtering.

God Bless you Brother in Jesus name, he wants you back in fellowship with him, he loves you more than any human mind could ever imagine, he is right in front of you with his arms wide open. Daniel no one has gone anywhere, he said he would never leave you or forsake you, Daniel you can't leave God, because everywhere you go he is still there, and he will always be. Daniel, he is there, he is waiting now, go to him, make him your life.

God Bless
Brother Bill

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2012/6/24 10:28

Daniel, the Holy Spirit is nearer to you than you think. He produced in you the will to create this thread. It is His influence which drives your heart - though encompassed with strongholds - to seek God for liberation.

God allows His children to stray brother to teach them the value of the Holy Spirit's voice. He'll let you drift further and further away in the tides of sin. You'll eventually come to your senses and discover you're in over your head and can't swim back to shore. What to do when you reach this point?

The answer is absolutely nothing. You can't do anything; if you try to come back to God, the stronghold arises and blocks your passage. The stronghold is like a huge octopus beneath the surface of the ocean. It grabs the legs of your spirit-man when it tries to swim back to God. Having correct theology won't stop the octopus; neither will listening to sermons or reading books. Reciting scripture only temporarily stirs water and makes a big commotion, but also is not able to break the stronghold.

You need to understand that you are trapped in your mind. Your mind was the entry point through which the powers of darkness were able to lead you off shore. Once you trifle with sin, you're trapped. At once you start drifting, and the powers and principalities have a legal right to torment you. You cannot liberate yourself from them. It is a spiritual problem that cannot be fought through the flesh or psychology. God alone must deliver.

The fact that you are troubled over your backsliding and have begun to resist the tides is a sign that the Holy Spirit is brooding over the waters. What do you do now that the brooding has begun?

Sink like Jonah. Continue to cry out to God. Stop trying to do things that you think will help God help you. Nothing through your own willpower can conjure any merit to aid in your deliverance. If it could, you would have found grounds for boasting and an "escape hatch" for the next excursion. The truth is that you are totally helpless, and a helpless man can do nothing but remain still and know that God is God.

Do not doubt His love for you, Daniel. Even in the midst of all your failure. The greatest of saints have known the greatest of depths, the darkest of nights.

Hang in there, dear brother. The Lord is near. Breathe worship unto Him, remain still, have patience, and experience His wondrous salvation, though for now it seems to tarry.

Have faith in God.

Brother Paul

Re: - posted by danieljesus9, on: 2012/6/24 11:40

Hello all

My English is not so good. Thanks for all your responses. I need some time to read and respond. Thank you very much

Re: , on: 2012/6/24 14:21

Dear Brother Daniel,

We use a lot of fancy words on here to describe something only God can do through you. Words like, "Just let it go and let God".

Think back to the time when you first got saved. What happened in those days?

Revelation 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

"Do the first works". It means do what you did the first time you came to the Lord.

What did you do first? You were convicted, you felt that you were a sinner, these first ones your feeling now. Now capitalize on it and repent. Just start crying out to the Lord for salvation. Get on your hands and knees and start wailing.

Your going to feel like nothings happening, your going to feel like it's no point. Stay on your knees and keep going don't listen to those feelings besides the flesh is against you anyway of course it doesn't want you to pray.

Now about your sin. Sin has a purpose, it will either harden you or drive you to God. In your case it's driving you to God, which is good. We've all been there at some point so your not alone. But it's how you look at sin that has destroyed your image of what God is.

God loves you, lets get that straight out of the way. If God can love you while in the world without Him, He will love you much more now being in the commonwealth of Jesus Christ. Your perception of Him has been marred that if your sinning then God must be angry with you so you have a hard time going home to Him. The whole idea of grace is so that you can come to God freely because we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. It doesn't say we have peace with God through you or I, the scriptures proved that it was not possible to go that way, so Christ comes to do what man could not do through his fallen nature.

So we understand that we have peace with God through our Lord. So God is not mad at you my friend, He is however a lovely Father so He will put you through some hard knocks to knock out the garbage that keeps us doing what we have a hard time giving up.

Is it hard? You betcha! At first though, but it gets easier as you go along. It's only hard because we've been used to walking after the flesh, but when you begin to walk after your true nature, the Spirit than it gets easier.

We are creatures of pleasure, we want our fix whenever we want it and we get antsy when we can't have it. But you have to want God more than that to overcome it.

To overcome a sin, it's going to take more than reading the bible and hearing sermons. Read the bible yes, listen to sermons yes, but don't put your faith there, is what I am trying to say. Many people have gone this route only to live a life in the closet and be something else in public because they were told that by doing this they would be able to be free from their habitual sin. What your going to need is;

- 1) A love for God
- 2) A desire to overcome
- 3) Perseverance temptation when it comes on you.

Number One, if you love God your going to pray to Him even if you've sinned. Every time you do sin, give praise to God for the sin. Yes, you heard me. "Give thanks in all things for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning us". The Devil wants to condemn you in your sin, but turn it around and offer the praise to God for it because Christ our sin bearer to

ok all sins upon Himself. Give your sin back to Christ, it does not belong to you. Jesus alone knows how to deal with it,, we do not, so don't hold unto something that is not yours.

Number Two, if you love God and your praying your going to want to please Him, so you will overcome. YOU WILL overcome. Get that into your spirit. If you love God, and your praying, YOU WILL OVERCOME.

Number Three, Persevering when being tempted. At your beginning, you like myself probably didn't have anyone to tell you about how to deal with temptation. We got a lot of theology, but no experience.

God loves you, lets keep believing that. He is there for your good, so just settle it in your heart that that is fact that will never go away. Temptation comes to prove you and I. If the Son of God Christ our Lord was tempted be sure that you and I will be too. He endured because He loved God and only wanted to please Him which meant obeying what He says.

At first when you begin to do the first works and you start to do something that seems awkward and foreign to our way of thinking, you may fall a few times but keep moving toward God. Don't allow a setback or a sin, or condemnation to keep you away from God. Only God knows how to deal with sin, you do not, give it back to the one who took your sins upon Himself, you have no right to keep it so give it to Him.

I find that when I am in the throes of temptation that saying the name of Jesus has quelled the urge of whatever it is I am being tempted in.

When Christ was driven into the wilderness to meet head on with Satan, Satan used the word of God to tempt the word of God (if you can imagine), but as the twisted word was coming out of Satan, the pure word of God was going back which irritated Satan to no end. He tried three times and couldn't stand it anymore and took off. Satan can't stand it when we resist Him. The more we resist in one thing, he will leave and come and tempt us in another area of our life but on a different level. That will go on till the day we die. Even Christ was tempted on the cross. "If thou be the Son of God, come down off the tree and we'll believe". Satan didn't give up even till His death, but when He died, Satan lost.

So you see, we are on the winning side. As Christ has overcome, so are you because you are in Him.

Don't let your sin keep you from coming to God. Always come to God even if you've sinned. Keep coming to Him.