HOW TO DEAL WITH HOW YOU FEEL

50 Days of Transformation – Part 4 (Emotional Health)

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"The most important commandment is this: You must love the Lord your God with <u>ALL YOUR HEART</u>, and all your SOUL, and all your MIND, and all your STRENGTH." Mark 12:29-30 (NLT)

UNDERSTAND MY EMOTIONS

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"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image, in our likeness... " Genesis 1:26 (NIV)

o Two extremes to avoid: Emotionalism:

Stoicism:

o God gave us ______ to understand our emotions.

WHY I MUST LEARN TO MANAGE MY EMOTIONS

1. BECAUSE _____

"There is a way that SEEMS right to a man, but in the end, it leads to death." Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)

2. BECAUSE _____

"Like an open city with no defenses is the man with no check on his feelings." Proverbs 25:28 (NAB)

"Be <u>self-controlled</u> and a lert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour." 1 Peter 5:8 (NIV)

3. BECAUSE _____

"To be controlled by human nature results in death; to be controlled by the Spirit results in life and peace ... Those who obey their human nature cannot please God." Romans 8:6-8 (TEV)

4. BECAUSE

"[People] get lost and die because of their foolishness and lack of self-control." Proverbs 5:23 (CEV)

"From now on you must live the rest of your earthly lives controlled by God's will and not by human desires." 1 Peter 4:2 (TEV)

HOW TO MANAGE AN UNWANTED FEELING

1. _____ Ask:

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2.

Elephaz asked Job: "Why has your heart carried you away, and why do your eyes flash?" Job 15:12 (NIV)

3.

o Everyday:

"When the Holy Spirit controls our lives, he will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." Galatians 5:22-23 (NLT)

o Everyday:

"Self-control means controlling the tongue!" Proverbs 13:3 (LB)

"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord!" Psalm 19:14 (NIV)

> YOUR SMALL GROUP THIS WEEK "How to Heal Your Damaged Emotions"