

OVERCOMING DESTRUCTIVE BEHAVIOR

New Life Bible Church

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Destructive Behavior: Activities, that if not discontinued, will eventually destroy relationships.

1. Pray that God gives you a TEACHABLE spirit.

Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect. 1 Peter 2:18

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Don't be like a mule, which cannot comprehend, that must be curbed with bit and bridle. P
salm 32:8,9

You shall slaughter the ram, and take some of its blood and put it on the lobe of Aaron's right ear and on the lobes of his sons' right ears and on the thumbs of their right hands and on the big toes of their right feet. Exodus 29:20

Plans are established by counsel; and good advice. Job's reply, I am ready to listen, I am teachable. Proverbs 20:18; Job 42:4

Then the Lord said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. 1 Samuel 3:11

But the Helper will teach you everything and will cause you to remember all that I told you. This Helper is the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name. John 14:26

2. Pray that God gives you peace from your past HURTS

Act as free men, become bondslaves of God. 1 Peter 2:16

I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting (disregard) what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead. Philippians 3:13

OFFENSIVE HURT: You transgressed and caused hurt in the past, however He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven our transgressions, canceled out the certificate of debt, which condemned to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Colossians 2:13,14 (Godly remorse and self forgiveness)

DEFFENSIVE HURT: As those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, including those who have hurt you; forgive them, just as the Lord forgave you. Colossians 3:12:13 (unconditional love and forgiveness)

We know that our old life died with Christ on the cross so that our sinful selves would have no power over us and we would not be slaves to past sins and hurts. Romans 6:6

3. Pray that God helps you to stay away from negative INFLUENCES

Keep your behavior out of the influence of the Gentiles. 1 Peter 2:12

Blessed is the person who does not follow the advice of wicked people, take the path of sinners, or join the company of mockers. Psalms 1:1

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. 1 John 4:1

Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals." 1 Corinthians 10:33

Can a man take fire in his bosom And his clothes not be burned? Or can a man walk on hot coals And his feet not be scorched? Proverbs 6:27

Make no friendship with a person who lacks self control, nor go with a hot-tempered man, lest you learn his ways and entangle yourself in a snare. Proverbs 22:24

Some people think they are receiving the correct advice, however it may lead to destruction . Proverbs 14:12

4. Begin to practice the art of KINDNESS

As God's servants, show respect and kindness, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable. 1 Peter 2:18

Many will proclaim to be kind; but a faithful man who shall find? Proverbs 20:6

To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing. 1 Peter 3:8,9

Joseph said, keep me in mind when it goes well with you, and please do me a kindness by mentioning me to Pharaoh and get me out of this jail. Genesis 40:14

He who withholds kindness ,forsakes the fear of the Almighty. Job 6:14

Do not be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others. Philippians 2:4

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