

What's Holding You Back?

Part 1

THE PROBLEM OF PROCRASTINATION

James 4:17

June 6, 2010

"If you know the right thing to do and don't do it, that, for you, is evil."

James 4:17 (Msg)

I. THE CAUSE

1. _____.

"A double minded man is unstable in all he does."

James 1:8 (KJV)

2. _____.

"If you wait for perfect conditions, you'll never get anything done!"

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (LB)

3. _____.

"A person's fear sets a trap for him."

Proverbs 29:25 (GW)

4. _____.

"I know how stubborn and obstinate you are...You are as hardheaded as bronze."

Isaiah 48:4 (NLT)

5. _____.

"Lazy people want much but get little."

Proverbs 13:4 (NLT)

II. THE COST

1. It wastes _____.

"Make the most of every opportunity for doing good."

Ephesians 5:16a (NLT)

2. It causes _____.

"A lazy person has trouble all through life."

Proverbs 15:19 (LB)

II. THE COST cont.

3. It hurts _____.

"A lazy person is as bad as someone who is destructive."

Proverbs 18:9 (GN)

III. THE CURE

1. Stop making _____.

"The lazy man is full of excuses ..."

Proverbs 22:13a (LB)

2. Believe God will _____.

"What do you mean, 'If I can'? Jesus asked. 'Anything is possible if a person believes.'"

Mark 9:23 (NLT)

"There is nothing I cannot master with the help of Christ who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:13 (Ph)

3. Set a deadline and _____.

"A wise man plans ahead. A fool doesn't."

Proverbs 13:16 (LB)

"Money that comes easily disappears quickly, but money that is gathered little by little will grow."

Proverbs 13:11 (NCV)

4. Get a spiritual _____.

"I want us to help each other with the faith we have. Your faith will help me, and my faith will help you."

Romans 1:12 (NCV)

5. Start _____.

"Never boast about tomorrow. You don't know what will happen between now and then."

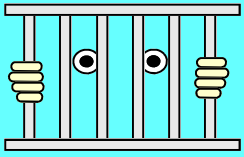
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Luke 9:62 (Msg)

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Ecclesiastes 11:4 (LB)

3. FEAR.

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Proverbs 29:25 (GW)

4. WOUNDED PRIDE.

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Proverbs 13:4 (NLT)

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