

“The Beginning That Changes Everything”

New Beginnings

Part 6

“Honor your father and your mother”

Exodus 20: 12

*“Therefore **encourage** one another and **build**
one another up,”*

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Your faith informs our thoughts, and your
thoughts inform our words.

Your words inform your actions

“One day as he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law, who had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem, were sitting there. And the power of the Lord was present for him to heal the sick. ¹⁸ Some men came carrying a paralytic on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. ¹⁹ When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus

20 When Jesus saw their faith, he said, “Friend, your sins are forgiven.”

21 The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, “Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?”

²² Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, “Why are you thinking these things in your hearts? ²³ Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? ²⁴ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins....” He said to the paralyzed man, “I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.” ²⁵ Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God. ²⁶ Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, “We have seen remarkable things today.”

Luke 5 :17–26



Who are you living for?



Steps to a Jesus-centric life

“You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.¹⁴ The entire law is summed up in a single command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”¹⁵ If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.”

Serve one another humbly in love

“So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. ¹⁷ For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

¹⁹ The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹ and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.”

Galatians 5:16-21

Categories of “selfish ambition”

- Convenience
- Comfort
- Cost
- Fear
- WIIFM

*Who are we supposed to love and
serve?*

- *How to know: ask Jesus*

How are we to love

Galatians 5:14

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CHOOSE YOUR FAVORITE



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“He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?”

Romans 8:32

When you reset your heart on Jesus;

➤ *your faith will be pleasing to God*

When you reset your mind on Jesus;

➤ *your thoughts will be pleasing to God*

When you reset your voice on Jesus; ,

➤ your words will be pleasing to God

When you reset your hands on Jesus;

➤ your actions will bring God honor every day