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Transformed By The Gospel

Living in Bondage

Bondage of _____

²³ Since we've compiled this long and sorry record as sinners (both us and them) and proved that we are utterly incapable of living the glorious lives God wills for us. Romans 3:23 (MSG)

^{19b} For you are a slave to whatever controls you.

2 Peter 2:19b (NLT)

Bondage of _____-

¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

Luke 18:11 (NRSV)

Living in Jesus We...

Receive for our redemption

³¹ In view of all this, what can we say? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² Certainly not God, who did not even keep back his own Son, but offered him for us all! He gave us his Son—will he not also freely give us all things?

Romans 8:31-32 (TEV)

⁸God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. ⁹Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. Ephesians 2:8-9 (NLT)

• Find ______ so we are not overwhelmed by disappointment, hardships and challenges

¹O God, defend me from the charges of these merciless, deceitful men. ² For you are God, my only place of refuge. Why have you tossed me aside? Why must I mourn at the oppression of my enemies? ³Oh, send out your light and your truth—let them lead me. Let them lead me to your Temple on your holy mountain, Zion.... ⁵O my soul, why be so gloomy and discouraged? Trust in God! I shall again praise him for his wondrous help; he will make me smile again, *for he is my God!* Psalm 43:1-5 (TLB)

³ I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, "Look, God's home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever." Revelation 21:3-4 (NLT)

A Warning: The danger of a _____

¹⁵ For the hearts of these people are hardened, and their ears cannot hear, and they have closed their eyes— so their eyes cannot see, and their ears cannot hear, and their hearts cannot understand, and they cannot turn to me and let me heal them.' Matthew 13:15 (NLT)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Respond to God's grace by asking Jesus to be my Savior and the Lord of my life.
- Find hope by recognizing God at work even in the hardships, disappointments and challenges of my life.
- Commit to take God's journey of transformation that will someday lead me to the home he has been preparing for me.
- Memorize and/or Meditate on Ephesians 2:8