

Life Changing Ministries International
Study Syllabus

Backsliding is a devastating state of willful spiritual regression & compromise in the Christian's life that causes spiritual separation from God, callousness to sin and culminates in the missing of the rapture. The tragic part of this condition is that the majority of individuals involved...scarcely recognize their precarious and ^{DANGEROUS / UNCERTAIN} pernicious predicament ^{RISK / DANGEROUS SITUATION}

Book of Study - Hosea
Chapter of Study - Luke 15
Verse of Retention - Gal 5:1

"Backsliding" = relapse into sin

I. End time fulfillment... I Tim 1:19/4:1/5:11-12, II Pet 2:15-22
Lk 17:26-30, Jn 3:16-19/20:25, II The 2, Num 16:12, II Tim 3
Rom 1:28-31, Amos 6:1, Rev 3:15, Hos 7:8, Heb 10:38, Jam 1:8
- by choice ^{JAM 1:8} - terms/signs of regression

3/15:4-6 (1 saved 2 at ease in Zion 3 backslidden 4 apostate) ^{DEFECTOR / REPROBATE}
(1 steady 2 complacent/digress 3 regress 4 abandon) ^{CROSS S.H. POWER / CUSTODY}
^{SELF-SATISFIED / WANER} ^{FIT - IN / LIKES WARM} ^{JAM 1:8} ^{JII PET 2:15-22} ^{FAKSAKE}

II. Examples of backsliding...

a - David: II Sam 11:2-27, I Kgs 15:5, II Sam 3:2-5/5:13-16

b - Solomon: I Kgs 11

c - Demas: (Col 4:14, Phm 24), II Tim 4:10

d - Galatians: Gal 3/4/5, Gal 5:7

e - Israel: Jer 2:19, Ps 78:9, Hos 4:16, At 7:39, Jug 2:11-13

f - Ephesians: Rev 2:4

III. Causes of backsliding...

a - living by feelings: Rm 7/8, Pro 14:12, Jer 17:9, Jn 6:66
Phil 3:3-9, I Kgs 11, I Tm 6:9-10, Matt 19:16-22, Gal 6:9
Ex 14:10-12, Jud 21:25, Prov 29:15, II Sam 11:2-27, Lk 15
- yielding to self - emotional decisions - time "process"
^{PHIL 14:12} ^{JUD 21:25}

b - inappropriate relationships: Prov 4:14-19/13:20/22:24-25
Ps 1:1, I Cor 15:33, I Kgs 11, II Cor 6:17-18, Jam 4:4
I Jn 2:15-16, Amos 3:3, Matt 6:24, I Cr 10:21, I Tim 5:22
Deut 7:1-6, Judg 1/2, Num 16:26, Gen 19:15, I Cor 5:9-11

- compromise - people - organizations - activities - ^{FRUIT}
^{JUDGE 1/2} ^{I CR 5:9-11} ^{FRAT - LARGE} ^{STREPPING / CORRO} ^{INTENDING}

c - pride: Dan 4, Matt 26:31-46, Lk 6:26, I Kg 12, Jer 17:5
I Cr 10:12, II Jn 8, Prov 6:27/7:26/16:18, II Kg 17:13-18
Is 14:12-14, Ezek 28:12-19/33:10-20, Jud 21:25, Pv 28:26
- self trust - "shunned" counsel - anyone susceptible
^{GER 17:5-6} ^{I KG 12} ^{NO FEAR} ^{GEN 3 / EZEK 28, 29, 14:12-14}

d - lack of spiritual nourishment: Hos 6:4, Matt 4:4, Ps 119
Josh 1:8, Acts 9:36-43, Acts 17:16-21, I Tim 5:13, Ps 1:2
II Tim 2:15, I The 5:17, Heb 10:25, Lk 2:36-37
- assembly - study - substitution - involvement - prayer
^{HEB 10:25} ^{ITIM 2:15} ^{I TIM 5:13} ^{LK 2:36-37} ^{MAT 6:16 / 1:13}

e - unrepentant sin: Rom 6:23, I Kg 11/13:33-34, II Tim 3:13
Pv 29:1, Ex 7:14/8:8-14, Jn 8:34, II Sam 11, Eph 4:19
Mt 7:19/19:16-22, Gl 5:9, Heb 3:7-19, Lk 11:34, Lk 13:1-9
- deception - bondage - tolerance - hardness - "1 area"
^{I TIM 3:13} ^{JN 8:34} ^{I KG 11} ^{HEB 3:13} ^{MAT 19:16-22}

f - nostalgia: Lk 9:62, Gn 19:26, Nm 11, Gal 2:18, Dt 8:10-18
- longing for the past - ingratitude toward God
^{NOT PAST X'S... ACTIVITIES} ^{LK 9:62} ^{DT 8:10-18}

IV. Effects of backsliding...

- a - numbness/deception to sin: II Tm 3:13, Rm 1:32, Is 59:1-2
 Heb 3:13, Rev 3:17-18, II Cor 4:4, Rom 7:7-25, II Sam 11
 Eph 4:19, Is 5:20
 Heb 3:7, I Sam 18, Rom 2:5, Ps 66:18, Matt 11:16-17
 - knowingly - Rm 1:32 - unknowingly - II Cor 4:4 - separation - Is 59 / Ps 66:18
 - compromise - maladjusted attitude - II Sam 11:6-7
 can't preach / witness on the street don't want to hear / Matt 13
- b - shame: Mt 27:3-7, Pv 6:33/14:34, Gn 3:7, Lk 15, II Tm 3:9
 - bombardment of guilt - Private - overwhelming ignominy - Public
Matt 27:3-5 Pv 6:33 Num 32:23
- c - loss of credibility: Prov 6:33, III Jn 12, Acts 15:35-39
 - reputation - integrity - negative identification
 known for unseparable Acts 15:35-39
- d - unnecessary pain/suffering: Gal 6:7-8, Job 4:8/31:9-12
 Pv 13:15/21:12/20:17/26:11, Num 32:23, Lk 22:54-62, Ps 38
Job 3:9-12 physical 2mb:12 spiritual - never "victimless" Matt 18:7
 intensified warfare, persecution, fallout, ridicule
 memorizes - Diss... - TALK ABOUT

V. Prevention from backsliding...

- a - renew mind to God's Word & establish practicum: Pro 16:3
Rm 12:1-2, Is 26:3, Phil 4:6-8, II Tim 2:15, Jam 1:22
 Jn 8:31-32, I Sam 15:23, Heb 10:25/11:24-27, Eph 4:11-16
 I Jn 3:5/5:18, Rom 4, Rom 6, II Cor 5:17-21, II Pet 1:4-8
 - assembly - study w/ ppl... - application - Jm 1:22 / I Sam 15:23
 - made up mind - quality not quantity
Rm 4:12-21 Daily...
- b - gravitate relationship: Phil 3:3-14, Ps 42:1-2/63:1-4
 Heb 5:13-14, Matt 5:48, Ps 27:4, Jn 17, Matt 11:28-30
 - intimacy - maturity - II Pet 3:3 - total trust - II Family
 - increasing knowledge of Him - singing - prayer I Thes 5:18
- c - acknowledge biblical examples: I Cor 10:1-11, Ps 78/106
 II Pt 2:4-6, Jd 5-7, Rm 15:4, II Tm 3:16-17, I Pt 2:21-25
 - take heed - take personally
- d - remain humble/teachable: Matt 18:3 Act 17:10-11
 I Cor 1:19-20/8:2/10:12, Rm 12:3
 Matt 18:3-4, Rom 15:14, Pro 27:17, Acts 17:10-11, Phil 2
 - we don't know everything - we don't know anything

VI. Recovery from backsliding...

- a - true repentance: Ps 51:4, Matt 3:8, II Cr 7:11, Lk 3:7-14
 At 9:1-20/II Chrn 7:14/II Chrn 33/Is 38/Dn 4:34-37, Lk 15
 - God is answer - brokenness - signs of repentance
II Chrn 7:14 Ps 51:4 II Cr 7:11
- b - deliverance: Jn 8:36, Act 8:9-24, Phil 4:6-8, Ex 3:19-20
 - complete work in Christ - liberty in mind/spirit
Jn 8:36 RESISTANT - Ex 3:19-20
- c - reestablish relationships: Dt 4:4/6:7/10:20-21, Jn 14:21
 Matt 6:33, Ps 27:4, Eph 4/5, Pro 3:5-6, Phi 3:3-10, Lk 15
 - in Him - in the home - on the job - stay in church!
 - in prayer - in the Word - intimacy
- d - restoration process: Gal 6:1/Rm 15:1-3/At 20:32/Ps 1:1-3
 II Cor 2:1-11, Jer 17:7-8, I Tm 2:1-4, Eph 4:28/6:10-18
 - confidence II Cor 2:1 - trust - watch care - faithfulness - Lk 16:10
 - accountability - "shored up" defenses - encouragement
Eph 4:23 Eph 6:10-18 PROTECT GATES!