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THE MESSAGE

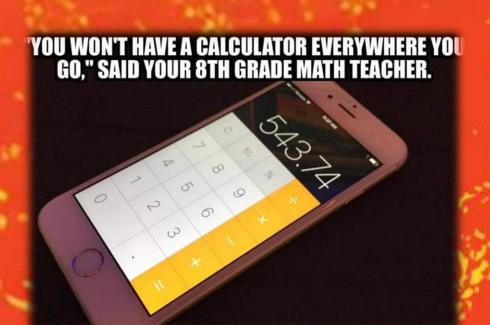
JAMES 1:22

"..DON'T JUST LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD. YOU MUST DO WHAT IT SAYS. OTHERWISE, YOU ARE ONLY FOOLING YOURSELVES."















FOCUS on your calling (Joshua 1/2)



STEP forward (Joshua 3)

REMEMBER who God is (Joshua 4/5)

WORSHIP the walls away (Joshua 6)

BE SERIOUS about sin (Joshua 7)



MEMORY VERSE

...what joy for those whose record the Lord has cleared of guilt, whose lives are lived in complete honesty!

Psalm 32:2



2. Be serious about sin because others see.

- 3. Be serious about sin and take action.
- 4. Be serious about sin and move forward.





"Do not take any of the things set apart for destruction, or you yourselves will be completely destroyed, and you will bring trouble on the camp of Israel. Everything made from silver, gold, bronze, or iron is sacred to the Lord and must be brought into his treasury." Joshua 6:18-19

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Achan replied, "It is true! I have sinned against the Lord, the God of Israel. Among the plunder I saw a beautiful robe from Babylon, 200 silver coins, and a bar of gold weighing more than a pound. I wanted them so much that I took them. They are hidden in the ground beneath my tent, with the silver buried deeper than the rest." Joshua 7: 20



Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.

James 1:14/15

Desire



Deception



Decision



Death





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Bait

Desire



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Death





...this time you may keep the plunder and the livestock for yourselves

Joshua 8:2



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Eve "It was only a little bite of the fruit..." Genesis 3

Abraham "It was only a little white lie..." Genesis 12 and 20

Jonah "It was only a little detour..." Jonah 1:3

Judas "It was only a little betrayal..." Matthew 26:14

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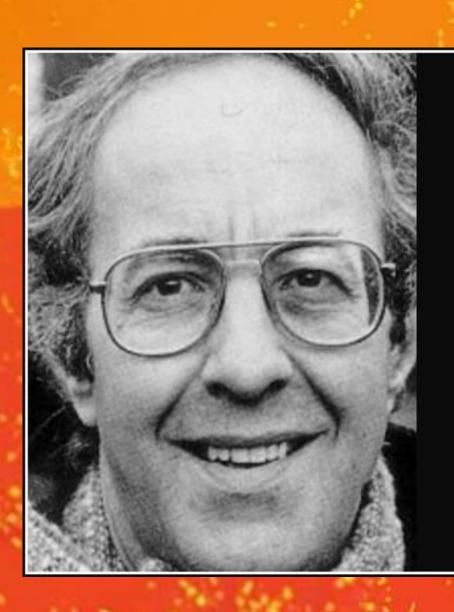


But the Lord said to Joshua,
"Get up! Why are you lying on your
face like this?"

Joshua 7:10

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Prayer and action...can never be seen as contradictory or mutually exclusive. Prayer without action grows into powerless pietism, and action without prayer degenerates into questionable manipulation.

— Henri Nouwen —

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Then the Lord said to Joshua, "Do not be afraid or discouraged. Take all your fighting men and attack Ai, for I have given you the king of Ai, his people, his town, and his land"

Joshua 8:1



CONCLUSION/RESPONSE

- What is buried beneath our tent that God wants brought into the light?
 (Unconfessed sin/unforgiveness/bitterness/ pride/self-reliance/addiction)
- Who do we have in our lives to be serious with-to be honest with us when we are burying things? Meet with them this week and pray honestly together