

Bailout!

Digging Out of a Hole

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The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender. (Proverbs 22:7, NIV)

Materialism is “a doctrine that the only or the highest value or objectives lie in material _____ and in the furtherance of material _____.”

The rich rules over the poor, And the borrower becomes the lender’s slave. (Proverbs 22:7, NASB)

“Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” (Luke 12:15, NIV)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. (Romans 12:1-2, NIV)

1. First, dig out of sinful _____.

Materialism begins with the _____, but it soon works its way into our life _____.

But you man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. (1 Timothy 6:11-12, NIV)

- My _____ habits
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So also, when we were children, we were in slavery under the basic principles of the world. But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. (Galatians 4:3-5, NIV)

How to clean up the past:

- Commit to maintaining right _____
- Commit daily to _____ and _____
- Commit to disciplined _____ over the long haul.

2. Finally, dig out of the _____ of sinful thinking and habits.

My next steps in the “Cross-Walk”:

- Create a financial plan. If it’s helpful, sit down with someone who can assist you. And then commit to sticking to the plan.
- Register for a *Financial Peace University* growth group by going online at www.crosswalkphoenix.com or by writing “Register me for FPU” on your CW Communication Card.
- Memorize and meditate on Proverbs 22:7.