

# **GET OUT OF HIS WAY**

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**“Trust & Obey For There’s No Other Way To Be Happy  
In Jesus Than To Trust & Obey.”**

# **How Do We Get In God's Way?**

- Not allowing him to work in our lives
- Not following him
- Not giving him our problems

# WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE FORGET GOD?

- **1 Peter 2:8:** and, "A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the message--which is also what they were destined for.
- **Jeremiah 18: 15:** Yet my people have forgotten me; they burn incense to worthless idols, which made them stumble in their ways, in the ancient paths. They made them walk in byways, on roads not built up.
- **Jeremiah 50:32:** The arrogant one will stumble and fall and no one will help her up; I will kindle a fire in her towns that will consume all who are around her."

# **In Today's World**

- We constantly hear those who state that if God is “real” why are there so many bad things in this world?
- If God loved us why does he allow bad things to happen?
- Does God want conflict?
- Does he want peace?

# God Chose Us And Wants Us To Be With Him

## **1 Peter 2:9:**

“But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.”.

## **John 3:16:**

*“For God so loved that world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”.*

## **1 Timothy 2:3-4:**

“For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”.

# Why Do We Get In God's Way??

- Selfishness:
  - 1: concerned excessively or exclusively with oneself : seeking or concentrating on one's own advantage, pleasure, or well-being without regard for others
  - 2: arising from concern with one's own welfare or advantage in disregard of others
- Arrogance:
  - 1: an insulting way of thinking or behaving that comes from believing that you are better, smarter, or more important than other people

# Biblical Examples Of Not Letting God's Plan Work

## God's Plan

- God Never Wanted Adam & Eve to be Disobedient
- Genesis 2:7  
But you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

## Man's Plan

- Genesis Adam & Eve

Genesis 3:6

"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also to her husband with her; and he did eat."

# Examples in the Bible that we should learn from

- **Matthew 16:21-23:**

[21](#)From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised up on the third day. [22](#)Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "God forbid *it*, Lord! This shall never happen to You." [23](#)But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your mind on God's interests, but man's."

Peter had his own selfish plans for Jesus and it blinded him to God's much bigger, better plan of salvation.

- **Cain and Abel**

**Genesis 4:8:** Now Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let's go out to the field." While they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him.



# **Examples of getting in God's Way in the Bible**

- **Disobedience**

**Proverbs 12:15:** The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, But a wise man is he who listens to counsel.

# **Biblical Guides which could stop problems today if we get out of his way**

## **God's Plan**

- Stopping Sexual Immorality:

I Cor. 7:2: But since sexual immorality is occurring, each man should have sexual relations with his own wife, and each woman with her own husband.

## **Catholic Church (Man's Plan)**

- The Catholic Church decided that "priests" should not marry. This gets in the way of God's ideals and teachings since Genesis.

Cardinal Pell was found guilty in December of molesting two 13-year-old choirboys after a Sunday Mass in 1996 at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne, and groping one of them again months later.

Almost 1,700 priests and clergy accused of sex abuse are unsupervised

# **GETTING OUT OF HIS WAY vs NOT GETTING OUT OF HIS WAY**

- Moses strikes the rock when instructed.
  - The Israelites trusted that they would be delivered when at the Red Sea.
- Moses decides to strike the rock when instructed to speak to the rock.
  - The Israelites decided to make a Golden Calf.

# GETTING OUT OF HIS WAY vs NOT GETTING OUT OF HIS WAY

## God's Way

- **1 Peter 2:18-19:** <sup>18</sup> Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are [\[a\]](#)unreasonable. <sup>19</sup> For this *finds* [\[b\]](#)favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly.

## Man's Way

- **Shooting at Walmart in Mississippi Kills 2**
- A “disgruntled” former employee opened fire at dawn, killing two employees and striking a police officer in the back, officials said.

# GETTING OUT OF HIS WAY vs NOT GETTING OUT OF HIS WAY

## God's Way Followed

- Daniel 3 Shadrach Meshach Abed-nego
- <sup>18</sup> But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.
- <sup>19</sup> Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.
- <sup>24</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astounded and stood up in haste; he said to his high officials, "Was it not three men we cast bound into the midst of the fire?" They replied to the king, "Certainly, O king." <sup>25</sup> He said, "Look! I see four men loosed *and* walking *about* in the midst of the fire [v](#)without harm, and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of *the* gods!"

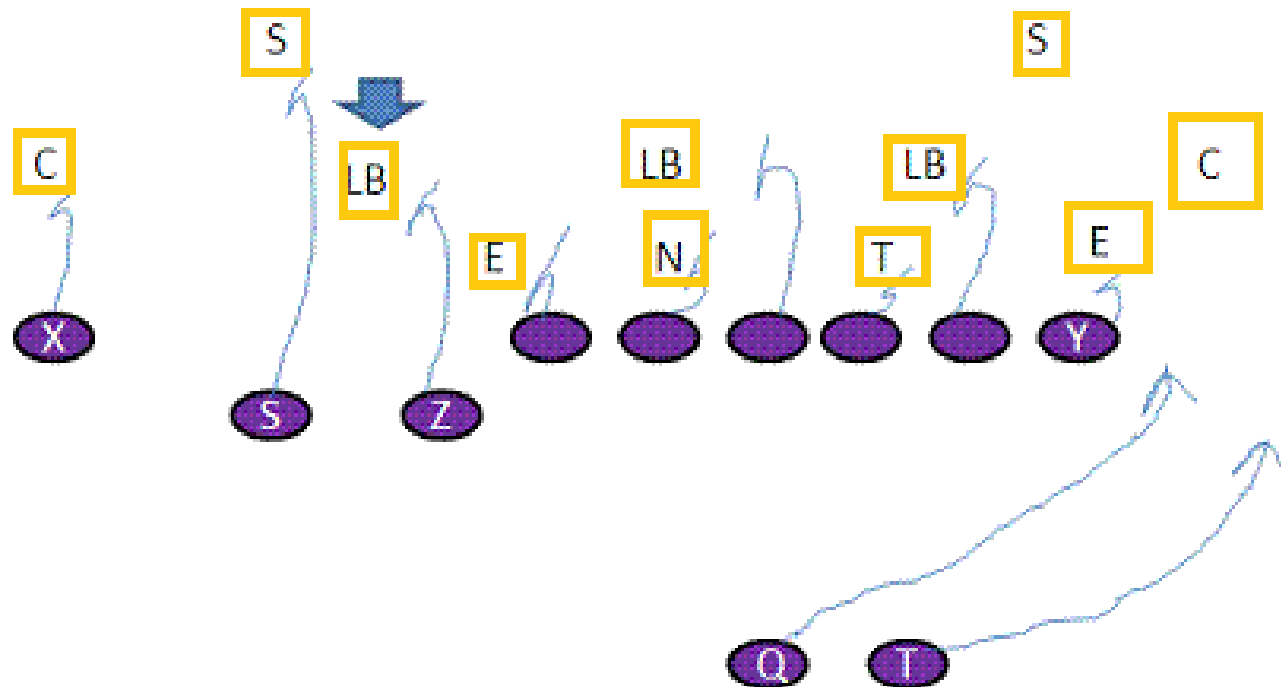
## Man's Way

- Peter Denies Jesus Three Times

# Analogy

The God Head is our blocking and armour against a lot of our problems but we get in the way

## Tight Trips Formation (zone option)



# Steps To Getting Out Of God's Way

- Trust
- Follow
- Be Still & Believe
- Living in Him
- Thinking like him

# #1 Trust

- We must trust him

God's wisdom and understanding far exceeds our own (Romans 11:33). We need to **trust** that what He has revealed in His word is for our good, always, even if obedience means suffering physically or emotionally for a time (James 5:11)

Isaiah 55:8-9

8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways,"  
declares the Lord.

9 "As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.



## #2 Follow

- <sup>12</sup> “On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup> The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.
- When we follow what God says even if it may be odd to us we can rest assured that we will be protected.

# #3 Be Still & Believe

We see one of the greatest examples of trusting in God even when doubt is coming in the form an army.

In Exodus 14, we see the best Egyptian fighters try to capture the Israelites (this is the scene before the parting of the Red Sea). Instead of trying to control every little detail of their escape plan, in verses 13-14 Moses tells the people, He was in control the whole time, even when the enemy was on its way, ready to take the Israelites down. He will do the exact same for us but we must believe he is able.

Philippians 4:4-7 'Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.'

# #4 Living in Him

Having been united with Christ we need to remember every day that our lives are not our own. We live with Him, and in Him, and by faith in Him. And He lives in us.

- **Romans 6:5:**

For if we have become united with *Him* in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, 6 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with *Him*, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; 7 for he who has died is freed from sin.

**Romans 10:17:**

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

# #5 Thinking like Him

- Peter hindered Jesus' work because he was not focusing on the things of God, but on the things of man." We need to develop the mind of Christ by practicing humility.
- Philippians 2:1-11
- Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, 2make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. 3Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; 4do not *merely* look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

This mindset, and the path it leads us down, may prove to be difficult and filled with suffering, but we are in good company because that was Jesus' path to glory.

Philippians 1:6

- Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.
- We need to trust Him, follow Him, live for Him, and think like Him.

# Examples Of Letting God's Way Work

- **LET GOD WORK IN, FAMILY LIFE, WORK LIFE, PERSONAL LIFE**
- **Family Life: Ephesians 6:1:** Children, **obey your parents** in the Lord, for this is right. Honor **your** father and mother so that it may be well with you, and that you may live long on the earth.
- **Ephesians 6:4-6:** Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.
- **Proverbs 13:24:** 24 Whoever spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is diligent to discipline.
- **At Work: Luke 12:43** Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has. But if that servant says in his heart, "My master is delaying his coming," and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant who knew his master's will, and did not prepare himself or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes.
- **Personal Life: II Corinthians 6:14:** Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?

# RECAP

- Do not lean on your own understanding nor your own strength
- Trust
- Follow
- Be Still & Believe
- Living in Him
- Thinking like him
- When we don't allow God to work in our lives it will lead to our own sorrow and damnation.
- **“Trust & Obey For There's No Other Way To Be Happy In Jesus Than To Trust & Obey.”**

# Let God Be Your Protection





# END RESULTS

**DISOBEDIENCE**



**OBEDIENCE**

