



THE GLUE~ Turning from Wicked Ways

Our vision is to glorify God by being a life-giving church that reaches the lost, disciples the heart and equips God's people to observe all that Jesus has commanded.

The 1 minute Glue: We have set up many alters to worship besides God. They come in the form of our mirrors, worldly music, TV and the internet, to name a few. Have we left our husband, God and taken off our covenant wedding ring to be like the world to try and save the world? Have we become ashamed of the Gospel of peace because of our fear of man?

Turning From Wicked Ways

*...if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and **turn from their wicked ways**, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. **2 Chron 7:14***

Making New Year's resolutions let's look at a new decade! Ask yourself a few questions: What would you like to change in your life? What would you like God to do in your life this year? The best question is: What would God like to do in your life this year?

How are we going to see these desires and plans achieved? One major part in creating an environment to succeed is simplicity. To live a godly life, we must choose to live a simple life. Everything is about relationship UP-IN-OUT. Simplicity in our lifestyle makes room for relationship with God, with the body and the lost.

*Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, **that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.** 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. **1 Tim 2:1-5***

If the goal is godliness, the questions we must ask are: Are we focusing on fulfilling this goal the way we are living our lives? What are some decisions we need to make to live a godly life?

*Do all things without complaining (**this year's prayer**) and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, **children of God** without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, **holding fast the word of life**, so that I may*

run in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain. **Phil 2:14-16**

If you don't choose a simple life you will have a simple mind. *The simple believes every word, But the prudent considers well his steps.* **Prov 14:15** *The simple inherit folly, But the prudent are crowned with knowledge.* **Prov 14:18**

For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and simple concerning evil. And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. **Rom 16:19-20** Is God crushing Satan under your feet? Is the church having victory or defeat over the affairs of life? Have we become wise in goodness and simple concerning evil?

Pay close attention to all my instructions. You must not call on the name of any other gods. Do not even speak their names. **Ex 23:13** (NLT) Notice the command to be separate and set apart from them. Many of the judgments of God on Israel came because of their mingling with demon gods. *You shall make no covenant with them, nor with their gods. They shall not dwell in your land (Are they in your house?), lest they make you sin against Me. For if you serve their gods, it will surely be a snare to you.* **Ex 23:32-33**

What altars have we set up to the world and to other god's? Mirror in the bathroom: We define our appearance by thin models that have photoshopped and airbrushed their bodies to look perfect some who hate their lives, then we obey the demons that speak to us in mirror and we set up a place to worship and degrade self. Internet: Worshiping pornography, escaping into chat rooms, facebook or gaming, many that are demonic. Worldly Music: A worship of self, people, evil and the devil. Watch the documentary called They sold their soul for rock and rock on the internet. TV: Where the culmination of the altar of our affections lies. We bow down and worship entertainment instead of God. How many hours do you spend watching TV? Romance novels: Fantasy and imagination. Dreaming of how our life could be better or different.

We are the bride of Christ, but do we live like we are married to God? When we enter into the worlds activities do we take off our ring that declares our marriage covenant? Have we come up with an elaborate scheme that hides Christ because we do not want to offend the lost? Do we hide our Husband in hopes of springing Him on others at that perfect time that seldom comes? Are we living like the world in hopes of winning them or have they really won us over because when we took our ring off and over time we actually forgot our Lover, our Husband and have committed adultery. We have become ashamed of God in our fear of man. We have said Lord I am going to hide you for a while so I can win these people over. To be seeker sensitive yet have we not left our love and given our affections to those who are participating in enemy activities. The Lord says, "Oh my bride, come back to me and tell the world of my great love for you and them. Wear my ring unapologetically and declare your affection for Me. You will be rejected but my love is so great that you won't mind and my safety so soothing that it will be a small thing to you as you are soaked in relationship with me.

Service: Sunday: 9:30am

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