

FAMILY – 1/January 10, 2010/Mike Berry

“... I waited patiently for the LORD to help me, and he turned to me and heard my cry. ² He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire. He set my feet on solid ground and steadied me as I walked along. ³ He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God.”
Psalm 40:1-3

“Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD.” Lamentations 3:40

LANDMINES or BLESSINGS?

1. COMMUNICATION!

¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.”
Ephesians 4:15

How are you doing in this area?

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Action steps:

2. HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS OUTSIDE THE FAMILY!

³³ Do not be misled: “Bad company corrupts good character.” ³⁴ Come back to your senses as you ought, and stop sinning; for there are some who are ignorant of God...”
1 Corinthians 15:33-34

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Action steps:

3. FINANCES!

⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.”
Hebrews 13:5

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Action steps:

4. FORGIVENESS!

²⁶ “In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ and do not give the devil a foothold.”
Ephesians 4:26-27

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Action steps:

5. ADDICTIONS!

“I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.” Romans 7:18

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Action steps:

6. HEALTH!

"¹⁹ Or don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, ²⁰ for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body."

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

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Action steps:

7. TIME!

"Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes."

James 4:14

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Action steps:

8. BOUNDARIES! (Technology – phones, sex, TV, computer)

"¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body."

1 Corinthians 6:18

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Action steps:

9. WILLINGNESS TO GET HELP!

"¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land;"

Isaiah 1:19

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Action steps:

10. MAKING GOD THE CENTER OF YOUR FAMILY!

"But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Joshua 24:15

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Have a family meeting.

Talk with your family about how you hope this series will help your family.

Pray together as a family.