

How Then Shall We Live?
Terror to Triumph – Part 3 of 5
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What's Going Wrong?

Fear: Fear of man and what he can do to us – death (Hebrews 2:14-15)

Matthew 13:20-22 The seed sown on the stony patches represents the man who hears the message and eagerly accepts it. But it has not taken root in him and does not last long—the moment trouble or persecution arises through the message he gives up his faith at once. The seed sown among the thorns represents the man who hears the message, and then the worries of this life and the illusions of wealth choke it to death and so it produces no 'crop' in his life. Phillips Translation

How Do We Recover?

Fear God and Not Man (Isaiah 50:10; Proverbs 13:13; Amos 8:11; Proverbs 29:25; 2 Corinthians 7:1)

1 Peter 1:13-16 Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. As obedient children do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; 16 for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." NIV1984

Ways to Prepare

1. Pursue Holiness Instead of Happiness
2. Get Sober
3. Prepare Your Minds for Action

My Next Step Today is to...

- ☐ Consider what sin I need to sober up from.
- ☐ Identify one thing I am holding back or hoping in, and tell someone.
- ☐ Look ahead at the circumstances, challenges and opportunities that are coming ahead for me and my household, and find God's will in them.