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STARTING OVER

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INTRODUCTION - Starting Over: Pushing the reSET Button

Introduction: The summer is gone and our normal schedule is coming back into view. The kids are back in school and summer vacation will soon be a distant memory. This change of pace gives us a great opportunity to re-evaluate things in our lives. Wouldn't you just love to start over? What if you could push a "reset" button? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a "reset" button (**Romans 12:1-2**). We need to learn how to use it (this series will teach us how). First, I want us to answer: "Why did God hard-wire us with this "reset" button? Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. We Have a Reset Button Because God is Love

- **Exodus 34:6-7, John 3:16, I John 4:8**

II. We Have a Reset Button Because God Is Long-suffering

- **Numbers 14:18, II Peter 3:9**

III. We Have a Reset Button Because God Is Patient

- **Psalms 86:15, Romans 15:4-6**

IV. We Have a Reset Button Because God Is Merciful

- **Psalms 100:5, Titus 3:4-7**

V. We Have a Reset Button Because God Is Just

- **Jeremiah 23:5, I John 1:9-10**

VI. We Have a Reset Button Because God is Forgiving

- **Daniel 9:9, Matthew 6:14-15**

VII. We Have a Reset Button Because God is Sovereign

- **Job 12:10, Romans 3:4**

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LESSON #1 - reALIGN: The Story of Adam & Eve

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Adam & Eve. We will begin our study in **Genesis 1-3**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Adam & Eve Questioned God

- **Genesis 2:8-9, 15-17, 3:1-7, 12-13**

B. Adam & Eve Challenged God

- **Genesis 2:16-17, 3:4-5**

C. Adam & Eve Disobeyed God

- **Genesis 3:6-7, 12-13, Romans 5:12-13, I Timothy 2:13-14**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Genesis 3:10, 4:1-8, Romans 3:23, 6:23**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Genesis 3:14-19, John 3:16, I John 2:2, 3:16, 4:10**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Genesis 2:17, 3:16, John 14:6, II Peter 3:9**

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LESSON #2 - reFILL: The Story of Noah

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Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

- A. *Noah Was Obedient Despite Living in a Wicked Generation*
 - **Genesis 6:1-8, 11-12, 22, 7:5, 9, 16, Hebrews 11:7, II Peter 2:5**
- B. *Noah Was Organized Despite Having No Previous Experience*
 - **Genesis 2:5-6, 6:13-22, 7:1-16, I Corinthians 14:33**
- C. *Noah Was an Overcomer Despite Surviving the Flood & the Ark*
 - **Genesis 7:17-9:29, Ezekiel 14:14, 20, Matthew 24:38, Hebrews 11-12**

II. What Can We Learn?

- A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*
 - **Genesis 6:5-6, 13, 17, 18, 7:3, 4, 8:21, Matthew 24:37-39, Luke 17:26**
- B. *Remember the Solution*
 - **Genesis 6:8-12, 9:1-7, Luke 3:36, II Peter 2:4-5**
- C. *Remember the Second Chance*
 - **Genesis 9:1-17, II Peter 3:8-9, 19-22, II Peter 2:5-10**

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LESSON #3 - reDEFINE: The Story of Abraham & Sarah

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Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Abraham & Sarah Were Called Out of Idolatry

- **Genesis 11:1-12:6, 15:6, Joshua 24:2, Romans 4:16-22, Hebrews 11:8**

B. Abraham & Sarah Were Promised the Impossible

- **Genesis 12:3, 15:1-18, 17:1-22, Matthew 1:1-16, Hebrews 11:11-12**

C. Abraham & Sarah Were Tested Immensely

- **Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7, 22:1-14, John 3:16, Hebrews 11:17-19**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Genesis 11:1-9, 12:10-20, 16:1-16, 20:1-18, 21:8-21**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Genesis 3:15, 12:2-3, 17:1-22, Galatians 3:8, Romans 5:1**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Genesis 12:2-3, 7, 13:14-17, 15:1-12, 17-20, 22:15-19, II Peter 3:8-9**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Abraham and Sarah? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #4 - reADJUST: The Story of Ishmael

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Ishmael. We will begin our study in **Genesis 16**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Ishmael Was Born to a Slave

- **Genesis 12:16, 16:1-6, 17:25-26, 21:9, Proverbs 30:21-23, Galatians 4:24**

B. Ishmael Was Banned From the Community

- **Genesis 16:1, 7-16, 21:8-21, 22:2-23:2, 25:1-11**

C. Ishmael Was Blessed to Father a Nation

- **Genesis 16:11-12, 18:1-15, 25:1-18, 36:3, 37:25-28, Judges 8:24, Psalm 83:6**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Genesis 12:10-20, 16:4, 17:19, 21:1-12, II Samuel 13:1-39**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Genesis 12:2, 16:7-8, 21:19-21, 22:17-18, 26:4, Romans 4:13**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Genesis 16:7-8, 21:19-21, Psalm 119:89, Romans 4:21, Hebrews 6:18, II Peter 3:8-9**

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LESSON #5 - reDEDICATE: The Story of Isaac

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Isaac. We will begin our study in **Genesis 21**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. *Isaac is the Child of Salvation*

- **Genesis 12:1-6, 13:14-17, 15:1-21, 17:1-27, 21:1-7, 22:15-18**

B. *Isaac is the Youth of Sacrifice*

- **Genesis 21:1-7, 22:1-14, Acts 7:2-8, Galatians 3:5-9, 4:21-31**

C. *Isaac is the Man of Spirituality*

- **Genesis 23-27, Deuteronomy 9:5, Hebrews 11:8-20**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*

- **Genesis 22:1-14, 25:19-34, 26:1-11, 26-31, 27:1-40**

B. *Remember the Solution*

- **Genesis 22:8, 13-14, Hebrews 11:17-19, James 2:21-22**

C. *Remember the Second Chance*

- **Genesis 12:1-7, 13:14-17, 15:1-20, 22:15-19, 24:4, 26:2-24, 28:3-14, 46:3, II Peter 3:8-9**

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LESSON #6 - reARRANGE: The Story of Lot

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Lot. We will begin our study in **Genesis 11**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

- A. *Lot Has a Great Family Heritage*
 - **Genesis 11:10-32, 12:1-6, 20:7**
- B. *Lot Experiences Great Famine & Fortune*
 - **Genesis 12:10-20, 13:1-13, 19:1-3, 14**
- C. *Lot Endures Great Failure*
 - **Genesis 14:1-16, 18:16-33, 19:1-38, Luke 17:32**

II. What Can We Learn?

- A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*
 - **Genesis 12:1-6, 13:1-4, 14:1-12, 18:16-21, 19:12-14, 30-38**
- B. *Remember the Solution*
 - **Genesis 13:10-12, 19:1-9, Deuteronomy 29:23, Isaiah 13:19, Jeremiah 23:14, Ezekiel 16:44-58, Amos 4:11, Matthew 10:15**
- C. *Remember the Second Chance*
 - **Genesis 12:3, Ruth 1:22, 2:2, 6, 21, 4:5, 10, I Corinthians 6:9-11, James 1:8, 13-14, II Peter 3:8-9**

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LESSON #7 - reDISCOVER: The Story of Jacob/Israel

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Jacob. We will begin our study in **Genesis 25**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

- A. *Jacob Wrestles With His Brother & His Parents*
 - **Genesis 25, 27, 32, 33, 36**
- B. *Jacob Wrestles With His Father-In-Law, His Wives & His Sons*
 - **Genesis 28, 29, 30, 31**
- C. *Jacob Wrestles With God*
 - **Genesis 32, Hosea 12:4, Hebrews 11:21**

II. What Can We Learn?

- A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*
 - **Genesis 25:34, 27:41, 28:6-9, 31:22-25**
- B. *Remember the Solution*
 - **Genesis 32:9-23, 33:1-17, 35:1-15**
- C. *Remember the Second Chance*
 - **Genesis 12:3, 32:24-32, 46:1-47:12, 49:29-33, II Peter 3:8-9**

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LESSON #8 - reMOVE: The Story of Joseph

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Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

- A. *Joseph Was a Gifted Man*
 - **Genesis 30, 37-50, Exodus 1:5-8, Acts 7:9-18**
- B. *Joseph Was a Godly Man*
 - **Genesis 37:2-5, 39:20-23, 41:1, 16, Exodus 13:9**
- C. *Joseph Was a Glorified Man*
 - **Genesis 39:3-4, 7-9, 21-23, 41:16, 39-44, 50:15-21**

II. What Can We Learn?

- A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*
 - **Genesis 37:25-36, 42:13, 20-24, Romans 3:23, 6:23,**
- B. *Remember the Solution*
 - **Genesis 45:1-15, Exodus 1:8, 13:19, Joshua 24:32, Hebrews 11:21-22**
- C. *Remember the Second Chance*
 - **Genesis 12:7, 26:3, 28:13, 50:24-25, Zechariah 10:6, II Peter 3:8-9**

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LESSON #9 - reBOOT: The Story of Moses

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Moses. We will begin our study in **Exodus 2**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Moses Was Born Into Trouble

- **Exodus 1:22, 2:1-15, 6:20, Acts 7:21-22, Hebrews 11:23-26**

B. Moses Was Called Through the Burning Bush

- **Exodus 2:16-25, 3:1-4:7, 7:14-11:10, Hebrews 11:27, II Timothy 3:8**

C. Moses Was Bound For The Promised Land

- **Exodus 12:1-18:27, I Corinthians 10:1-4, Hebrews 11:27**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Exodus 32-33, Numbers 13:27-30, 20:11-12, 32:13, Joshua 5:6**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Exodus 32:11-14, 32:30-35, 33:12-23, Romans 8:28, Revelation 15:8**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Exodus 4:21, Acts 7:17-45, Hebrews 11:23-27, Jude 9**

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LESSON #10 - reTHINK: The Story of Rahab

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Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Rahab Was A Good Woman

- **Joshua 2:4, 6:17, 23, 25, James 2:25**

B. Rahab Was A Godly Woman

- **Joshua 2:10-11, 6:22-25, Numbers 21:21-35, Hebrews 11:31**

C. Rahab Was The Grandmother of Kings

- **Genesis 3:15, Ruth 4:18-22, I Chronicles 2:11-15, Matthew 1:5-6**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Joshua 2:9-13, 6:1, 26-27, I Timothy 1:15-16**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Joshua 2:9, Deuteronomy 2:25, Hebrews 1:14**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Joshua 6:25, Matthew 19:26, Hebrews 11:1, II Peter 3:8-9**

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LESSON #11 - reCHARGE: The Story of Samson

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Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. The Rise & Fall of the Israelites

- **Judges 13:1, 10:6, 15:11, 17:6, 18:1, 19:1, 21:25**

B. The Rise & Fall of Samson

- **Judges 13:1-16:31, Numbers 6:1-8, I Samuel 2:8-28, Luke 1:13-17**

C. The Legacy of the Samson

- **Judges 13:2-25, 16:23-31, Hebrews 11:32**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Judges 16:20, Proverbs 14:12, Jeremiah 17:9, Romans 1:20, 3:23, 6:23**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Judges 16:28-30, Ecclesiastes 1:1-2, Proverbs 21:2, Jeremiah 10:23**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Judges 16:23-31, Matthew 7:21-23, II Peter 3:9-10**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Samson? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #12 - reFRESH: The Story of Hannah

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Hannah. We will begin our study in **I Samuel 1**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. The Problems of Hannah

- **I Samuel 1:1-8, 2:21, Genesis 16:3-5, Matthew 19:26, Mark 9:23, Luke 18:27**

B. The Promise of Hannah

- **I Samuel 1:9-28, Leviticus 27, Number 6:2-5, Deuteronomy 23:21-23, Judges 13:2-5, Ecclesiastes 5:4-6, James 5:12**

C. The Prayer of Hannah

- **I Samuel 2:1-10, Colossians 4:2, James 4:2-3, I Thessalonians 5:17**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **I Samuel 1:5-6, 10, 2:3, 12-21, 26, Luke 2:52**

B. Remember the Solution

- **I Samuel 1:19, Matthew 26:36-46, John 15:7, Romans 8:28, I John 5:14**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **I Samuel 1:21-28, Luke 1:46-55, Colossians 3:17, I Thessalonians 5:16**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Hannah? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #13 - reSTORE: The Story of David

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about David. We will begin our study in **I Samuel 17**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. David Faced His Giants

- **I Samuel 17-II Samuel 1, Psalm 7, 9, 34, 52, 54, 56-59, 63, 142**

B. David Failed His Family

- **II Samuel 2-21, Psalm 3, 18, 32, 51, 60, Proverbs 22:6**

C. David Followed His God

- **II Samuel 22-I Kings 2, Psalm 8, 23, 86, 101, 103, 108-109**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Psalm 51:1-6, Proverbs 28:13, James 5:16, I John 1:9, Psalm 32:5**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Psalm 51:7-17, Isaiah 29:13, Matthew 15:8, John 4:24, Psalm 96:13**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Psalm 51:18-19, Matthew 7:21-23, Galatians 5:22-23, Ephesians 1:5-12**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from David? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #14 - reVISION: The Story of Jabez

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Jabez. We will begin our study in **I Chronicles 4:9-10**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Jabez Was Born In Pain

- **I Chronicles 4:9, Genesis 25-27, I Corinthians 6:9-11, Ephesians 6:4**

B. Jabez Was Balanced In Prayer

- **I Chronicles 4:9-10, Genesis 37-50, Deuteronomy 21:15-17, II Kings 22-23**

C. Jabez Was Blessed With Potential

- **I Chronicles 4:10, Joshua 4:24, Isaiah 59:1, Luke 1:37, James 1:17**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **I Chronicles 1-8, Genesis 38, Matthew 1:1-17, Isaiah 59:2, Psalm 51:17**

B. Remember the Solution

- **I Chronicles 4:9, 15:7-36, Psalm 96:1-13, 105:1-15, 106:1, 47-48**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **I Chronicles 4:10, Philippians 3:13, James 1:22-25, Genesis 25, 35**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Jabez? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #15 - reIMAGINE: The Story of Hezekiah

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Hezekiah. We will begin our study in **II Kings 18**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. The Reforms of King Hezekiah

- **II Kings 18:1-12, II Chronicles 29:1-31:21, Numbers 21:9, Exodus 20:4**

B. The Rescue of King Hezekiah

- **II Kings 18:13-19:37, II Chronicles 32:1-23, Isaiah 36:1-37:38**

C. The Recovery of King Hezekiah

- **II Kings 20:1-21, II Chronicles 32:24-33, Isaiah 38:1-22, Psalm 51:17**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **I Chronicles 29:30-31, Exodus 12:21-28, 23:15, Leviticus 23:4-8**

B. Remember the Solution

- **II Kings 18:1-8, II Chronicles 29:1-11, Proverbs 3:5-6, Jeremiah 17:7**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Isaiah 38:1-8, II Chronicles 7:14, Luke 13:3, 5, Acts 2:38, 3:19, I John 1:9**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Hezekiah? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #16 - reBUILD: The Story of Nehemiah

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Nehemiah. We will begin our study in **Nehemiah 1**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Nehemiah Rebuilds the Walls

- **Nehemiah 1-6, Ezra 1-2, II Kings 25, Jeremiah 52, Haggai, Zechariah**

B. Nehemiah Revives the People

- **Nehemiah 7-12, Ezra 3-6, Esther 1-10, I Kings 5:15-38, Lamentations**

C. Nehemiah Reforms the Work

- **Nehemiah 13, Ezra 7-10, Ezekiel, Daniel, Jeremiah, II Kings 24**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **II Kings 24:8-25:30, II Chronicles 36:5-21, Hosea 8:9-10, 9:3, 11:5**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Nehemiah 1:4-11, 2:4, 4:4-5, 5:19, 6:9, 14, 13:14, 22-30, Jeremiah 10:23**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Nehemiah 2:17-18, 3:1-32, 4:6, 9, 7:6-72, Nehemiah 13:30-31**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Nehemiah? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #17 - reAFFIRM: The Story of Job

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Job. We will begin our study in **Job 1**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. *The Dilemma of Job & The Deception of Satan*

- **Job 1-2, Psalm 73, Habakkuk 1:12-17, Isaiah 14:12-15, Ezekiel 28:12-19**

B. *The Debates of Job, His Friends & the Distress of Elihu*

- **Job 3-37, Psalm 8:4, Romans 8:18, I Corinthians 10:13, Philippians 4:7**

C. *The Dialogue Between Job & God*

- **Job 38-42, Genesis 1-2, Psalm 103:17, Ezekiel 14:14-18, James 5:11**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*

- **Genesis 2:16-17, 3:1-19, Romans 3:23, 5:12, 6:23, John 3:16-17**

B. *Remember the Solution*

- **Deuteronomy 29:29, Isaiah 55:8-9, Proverbs 3:5-6, 14:12, 16:25**

C. *Remember the Second Chance*

- **Job 42:7-17, Hebrews 12:1-2, II Peter 3:9, I John 1:9-10**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Job? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #18 - reUSE: The Story of Jonah

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Jonah. We will begin our study in **Jonah 1**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. *The First Lesson = Don’t Run From God*

- **Jonah 1:1-16, Acts 17:22-23, I Thessalonians 1:9, Joshua 24:2-27**

B. *The Second Lesson = Don’t Give Up Hope*

- **Jonah 1:17-3:10, Matthew 12:40, Genesis 42:38, Psalm 18:5, 30:3, 88:3**

C. *The Third Lesson = Don’t Underestimate Grace*

- **Jonah 4:1-11, Matthew 6:33, 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16, Romans 8:7-8**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*

- **II Kings 17-18, I Chronicles 5:26, Isaiah 19:23-25, 36:11-12, Hosea 11:5**

B. *Remember the Solution*

- **Jonah 3:7-9, Romans 6:1-2, Luke 13:3, 5, Acts 17:30, II Chronicles 7:14**

C. *Remember the Second Chance*

- **Jonah 1:10-11, 3:5-10, Psalm 51:12-13, Luke 7:9, II Peter 3:9-10**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Jonah? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #19 - reNEW: The Story of Peter

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). For the next several weeks we will consider true stories that should inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Peter. We will begin our study in **Mark 3**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Peter Was a Family Man & Fisherman

- **Mark 1:29, 36, 2:1-4, 3:16, 14:70, 15:40, 16:1, Matthew 4:18-22**

B. Peter Was a Faithful Apostle & Friend

- **Mark 5:37, 8:27-29, 33-33, 9:2-8, 10:28, 11:21, 14:29-72, Matthew 16:16**

C. Peter Was a Fearless Elder & Martyr

- **Mark 16:6-7, Matthew 26:31-35, Luke 5:8, John 21, Acts 1-12, I-II Peter**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Mark 14:26-72, Matthew 26:31-75, Luke 22:31-62, John 13:36-38, 18:15-18**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Acts 1-12, I Corinthians 1:12, 3:22, 9:5, 15:5, Galatians 1:18, 2:1-21**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Matthew 16:13-28, Mark 16:7, John 21, Acts 1-2, 10-11, II Peter 3:9**

Conclusion: We will see throughout this series that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Peter? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #20 - reTURN: The Story of John Mark

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). We have been considering true stories that inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about John Mark. We will begin our study in **Mark 14:51-52**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

- A. *John Mark Learned Ministry Was Difficult*
 - **Mark 14:51-52, Luke 14:27-33, Acts 12:25-13:14**
- B. *John Mark Learned Ministry Was Deadly*
 - **Mark 14:53-15:41, 16:9-20, Acts 13:1-14, 15:36-41**
- C. *John Mark Learned Ministry Was Decisive*
 - **Mark 12:28-31, Colossians 4:10, II Timothy 4:11, I Peter 5:13**

II. What Can We Learn?

- A. *Remember the Consequences of the Sin*
 - **Luke 9:62, Acts 13:13, Matthew 23:12, James 4:10, I Peter 5:5-6**
- B. *Remember the Solution*
 - **Acts 13:49, 15:37, 39, Galatians 6:9, Mark 10:47, Philemon 24**
- C. *Remember the Second Chance*
 - **II Timothy 4:11, Matthew 18:21-35, II Peter 3:9**

Conclusion: Throughout this series we have noticed that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart. If we plan on starting over we need to make serious changes to our life (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience). We need to experience a full reset! What have you learned from John Mark? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #21 - reINVEST: The Story of Zacchaeus

Introduction: Would you love to start over? What if you could push a “reset” button? What would you change? Both science and Scripture provide evidence that our minds have a “reset” button (**Romans 12:1-2**). We have been considering true stories that inspire us to rewire our minds and take advantage of a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about Zacchaeus. We will begin our study in **Luke 19:1-10**. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. Zacchaeus Was A Rich Man

- **Luke 19:1-3, 5:29, Matthew 9:9-13, Mark 2:13-15, Romans 13:6-7**

B. Zacchaeus Was A Radical Man

- **Luke 19:3-5, 5:2, 3:12-13, 7:29, 15:1, 18:9-17, II Chronicles 24:6**

C. Zacchaeus Was A Repentant Man

- **Luke 19:6-10, 5:31, Mark 2:17, Matthew 5:46, 18:17, 21:31-32, Acts 17:10**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Luke 18:9-27, 19:7, 9, Matthew 21:1-11, Exodus 12, Luke 15:1-2**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Luke 19:5, 8, Mark 2:15-16, Exodus 22:1, Leviticus 6:5, Number 5:6-7**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Luke 5:27-32, Romans 3:23, 6:23, I Timothy 1:15, II Peter 3:9-10**

Conclusion: Throughout this series we have noticed that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart. If we plan on starting over we need to make serious changes to our life (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience). We need to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Zacchaeus? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #22 – rePURPOSE: The Story of the Thief on the Cross

Introduction: We are currently studying a series of lessons on second chances entitled: “STARTING OVER.” One of the main points for this entire series is to remind us that God is the God of second chances. In this lesson we are going to continue to build on that theme by introducing another character that God gave a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about the thief on the cross. He had an opportunity to hit the “reset” button. We will begin our study in **Luke 23:39-43** and study about this interesting character that interacted with Jesus. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. The Thief Was Deserving of His Sentence

- **Luke 23:1-25, 39-41, Matthew 27:41-44, Hebrews 9:15-17**

B. The Thief Was Dying for His Sins

- **Luke 23:42, 13:3, 5, Mark 2:1-10, 16:15-16, I John 3:4**

C. The Thief Was Determined to Save His Soul

- **Luke 23:43, Romans 3:19, 4:15, Galatians 3:23-25, Hebrews 10:9**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Deuteronomy 21:23, Acts 5:30, 10:39, Galatians 3:13, I Peter 2:24**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Luke 23:42, Joel 2:32, Acts 2:21, Romans 10:13, I Corinthians 1:2**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Luke 6:46, Matthew 7:21, Mark 16:15-16, Acts 2:38-39, 22:16**

Conclusion: This series reminds us that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from the thief? Have you been saved from your sins? Are you ready to change? What have you learned from these stories? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #23 - reFOCUS: The Story of the Adulterous Woman

Introduction: We are currently studying a series of lessons on second chances entitled: “STARTING OVER.” One of the main points for this entire series is to remind us that God is the God of second chances. In this lesson we are going to continue to build on that theme by introducing another character that God gave a second chance. I want to remind you of some things we know about the woman caught in adultery. She had an opportunity to hit the “reset” button. We will begin our study in **John 8:2-11** and study about this interesting character that interacted with Jesus. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. The Woman Was Caught in the Act

- **John 8:2-5, Exodus 20:14, Leviticus 20:10, Proverbs 6:26**

B. The Woman Was Condemned for the Adultery

- **John 8:6-7, Deuteronomy 22:22, Proverbs 6:32, Jeremiah 7:9-10**

C. The Woman Was Commanded to Abstain

- **John 8:8-11, Exodus 31:18, 34:28, Deuteronomy 9:10, Daniel 5:10-29**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Exodus 20:14, Deuteronomy 22:22, Proverbs 6:24-29, Matthew 5:28, 19:19**

B. Remember the Solution

- **I Corinthians 6:18, 7:1-40, 10:13, I Thessalonians 4:3-5, Hebrews 13:4**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Luke 13:3, 5, John 8:11, Ephesians 5:25, I John 1:9, Revelation 21:8**

Conclusion: This series reminds us that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from the adulterous woman? Have you been saved from your sins? Are you ready to change? What have you learned from these stories? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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LESSON #24 - reBORN: The Story of Saul/Paul

Introduction: We are currently studying a series of lessons on second chances entitled: “STARTING OVER.” One of the main points for this entire series is to remind us that God is the God of second chances. In this lesson we are going to continue to build on that theme by introducing another character that God gave a second chance. This man is one of the most famous Christians in history: Saul of Tarsus/the Apostle Paul. Let’s notice some of the details about his life (**Acts 7:58-8:4, 9:1-30**). Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. What Do We Know?

A. The Life of Saul/ Paul

- **Acts 7:58-8:4, 9:1-30, 22:1-29, 26:1-29, I Corinthians 15:8**

B. The Letters of Saul/ Paul

- **Romans, I-II Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, I-II Thessalonians, I-II Timothy, Titus, Philemon**

C. The Legacy of Saul/ Paul

- **Romans 1:16, 12:1-8, I Corinthians 12:1-31, II Corinthians 12:7-10, Ephesians 4:11-16, Philippians 1:21, 3:7-8, 4:13, II Timothy 4:6-8**

II. What Can We Learn?

A. Remember the Consequences of the Sin

- **Acts 9, 22, 26, Romans 3:23, 5:12-21, 6:23, I Timothy 1:13-15**

B. Remember the Solution

- **Acts 22:16, Romans 6:1-4, II Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 2:16, 4:5**

C. Remember the Second Chance

- **Romans 5:8, Galatians 2:20, Philippians 1:20, 3:20, Colossians 2:12**

Conclusion: This series reminds us that transformation takes more than just good intentions and a sincere heart if we plan on starting over. We need to make serious changes (i.e. repentance, confession, obedience) in order to experience a full reset! What have you learned from Saul of Tarsus/the Apostle Paul? Have you been saved from your sins? Are you ready to change? What have you learned from these stories? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!



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CONCLUSION - Finishing Strong: reMEMBER What God Has Done

Introduction: We are concluding studying a series of lessons on second chances entitled: "STARTING OVER." One of the main points for this entire series is to remind us that God is the God of second chances. It would be difficult to close out this series without some final thoughts on baptism and the new life available for those in Christ. Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. Remember the Steps to Starting Over

- A. Reading the Scriptures for guidance is necessary (**John 17:17, II Timothy 3:16-17**).
- B. Hearing the gospel is necessary (**Acts 15:7, Romans 10:14, 17**).
- C. Believing in Jesus Christ is necessary (**John 8:24, Acts 4:12, Hebrews 11:1, 6**).
- D. Repenting of your sins is necessary (**Luke 13:3, 5, Acts 2:38, 3:19, 17:30**).
- E. Confessing Christ is necessary (**Matthew 10:32-33, Romans 10:9-10, Acts 8:37-38**).
- F. Baptizing into water is necessary (**Matthew 28:19-20, Mark 16:15-16, Acts 2:38-39, 10:48, 22:16, Colossians 2:11-12, Galatians 3:24-27, I Peter 3:21**).
- G. Faithfully serving God is necessary (**Romans 6:3-7, II Timothy 4:6-8, Revelation 2:10**).

II. Remember the Salvation Stories in Acts

- A. Baptism of about 3,000 on Pentecost (**Acts 2**).
- B. Baptism of the Samaritans (**Acts 8**).
- C. Baptism of Simon the Magician (**Acts 8**).
- D. Baptism of the Ethiopian Eunuch (**Acts 8**).
- E. Baptism of Saul of Tarsus (**Acts 9, 22, 26**).
- F. Baptism of Cornelius & his household (**Acts 10-11**).
- G. Baptism of Lydia (**Acts 16**).
- H. Baptism of the Philippian Jailor & his household (**Acts 16**).
- I. Baptism of Corinthians (**Acts 18**).
- J. Baptism of Ephesians (**Acts 19**).

III. Remember the Significance of Being Born Again

- A. You are born again (**John 3:3,5, Romans 6:3-4, II Corinthians 5:17**).
- B. You obey Christ (**John 14:15, Matthew 28:19-20, Mark 16:15-16, Acts 10:48**).
- C. You are saved from sins (**Mark 16:15-16, I Peter 3:20-21**).
- D. You get added to the church of Christ (**Acts 2:37-47, I Corinthians 12:13**).
- E. You have remission of sins (**Acts 2:38, Luke 24:46-47**).
- F. Your sins are washed away (**Acts 22:16, Hebrews 9:22, 10:22, I Peter 3:21**).
- G. You get into Jesus Christ (**Romans 6:3-4, Galatians 3:27**).
- H. You walk in newness of life (**Romans 6:3-5, Colossians 3:1**).
- I. You put on Christ in baptism (**Galatians 3:26-27**).
- J. You become a child of God (**Galatians 3:26-27**).

IV. Remember the Need to Finish Strong

- A. *Jesus has called you to walk in the light* (**Matthew 5:16, I John 1:7**).
- B. *Jesus has called you to bear good fruit* (**John 15:1-8, Galatians 5:22-23**).
- C. *Jesus has called you to be a member of His body* (**I Corinthians 12:27**).
- D. *Jesus has called you to be His disciple* (**Acts 6:1, 7, 11:26**).
- E. *Jesus has called you to be a faithful believer* (**Acts 5:14, II Corinthians 6:15**).
- F. *Jesus has called you to be a saint* (**Acts 9:13; Romans 1:7; Philippians 1:1**).
- G. *Jesus has called you to be a priest* (**1 Peter 2:9; Revelation 1:6**).
- H. *Jesus has called you to be a child of God* (**Galatians 3:26-27, 1 John 3:1-2**).
- I. *Jesus has called you to be a Christian* (**Acts 11:26, 26:28, I Peter 4:16**).
- J. *Jesus has called you to teach what you know* (**Matthew 4:19, 28:20, Acts 1:8**).

Conclusion: God has done some mighty things! However, He's not finished with you yet. The stories we have considered over the past several weeks were not just meant to entertain. They were meant to inspire. They were meant to challenge us. This series was about second chances! Do you need a second chance? What have you learned from this series? Have you repented of your sins? Have you confessed those sins? Are you living in obedience? How's your faith? How's your Christian walk? Do you need to press the reset button? You're just a few steps away from starting over. Come to Jesus!