



Sermon Outline
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“Stop”

Series goal: *To provide tools necessary to make divinely inspired decisions.*

What significant thing has to happen to bring a _____ to something that is a risk to the long welfare of your life?

What event/encounter has to take place in order to _____ a bad trajectory?

Biblical Principle

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man _____ what he _____. Gal. 6:7

What keeps you _____? What are you doing today that’s not good for your story? Do you have some habit, a mindset, an addiction, an attitude, a thought process, a routine practice... a conflict...a wound... something in your life that’s hijacking the story God really wants to tell?

Henri Nouwen - 'Spiritual Direction'

The goal of spiritual direction is spiritual formation—the ever-increasing capacity to live a spiritual life from the heart. A spiritual life cannot be formed without discipline, practice, and accountability. There are many spiritual disciplines. Almost

anything that regularly asks us _____ our time, desires, and thoughts to counteract selfishness, impulsiveness, or hurried foginess of mind can be a spiritual discipline.

Brennan Manning- 'Ragamuffin Gospel'

What makes _____ is not visions, ecstasies, biblical mastery of chapter and verse, or spectacular success in the ministry, but the capacity for faithfulness. Buffeted by the fickle winds of failure, battered by their own unruly emotions, and bruised by rejection and ridicule, _____ may have stumbled and frequently fallen, endured lapses and relapses, gotten handcuffed to fleshpots, and wandered into a far country. Yet they kept coming back to Jesus.

Notes on breakdown of text:

Since we have so great a cloud of witness...

Let us also...

Lay aside...

Every encumbrance...

And the sin which so easily entangles us...

...and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus,

When you are entangled...you _____...and you _____!

...STOP...the biblical word is _____.