Applying Truth to Correct Sin and Prevent Future Disobedience | Outline

Use Light to Dispel Darkness: Psalm 119:105; I John 1:5-7

Reactive Vs. Proactive:

Heart Condition: Philippians 4:6 (Additional: Matthew 6:25)

Identify Temptation: James 1:13-15; Psalm 51:17; 1 Corinthians 10:12-13; Psalm 139:23-24

Examine Direction and Action: Jeremiah 42:3; Genesis 4:3-10; Psalm 37:23-24 (Additional: Ephesians 4:27; Romans 1:28)

Avoid Excuses: 2 Peter 1:3-4; Proverbs 28:13 (Additional: 1 John 1:8-9)

Be Increasingly Proactive: Psalm 101:2-4; Titus 2:11-12; Proverbs 4:26-27

Transitioning from Reactive to Proactive Living:

- 1. Listen carefully for words and phrases that oppose God's character and His Word.
- 2. Ask the Holy Spirit to make you sensitive and discerning to symptoms that indicate ungodliness.
- 3. Slow down to consider wrong thinking, potential motives, and undesired choices and actions.

Questions that Promote Personal Evaluation:

- 1. What were you thinking about when you made that choice?
- 2. Have you considered what motivates you to do that?
- 3. What is your focus when you act in that way?
- 4. Have you ever considered what temps you in those moments?
- 5. Can you identify what tempted you or pinpoint the moment you gave into temptation?
- 6. Have you considered other choices you could have made?