

Breaking Free:

Finding Freedom in a World Designed to Keep You Hooked

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The issue is not whether you own possessions. The issue is whether possessions _____ your attention, peace, identity, and obedience.

1. WE MUST EXPOSE THE _____ THAT ALWAYS WANTS MORE

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal." **Matthew 6:19–20 (NIV)**

WHEN ENOUGH IS NEVER ENOUGH:
How to Break Free from the Addiction to Wanting More

The Five Broken Promises of More

1. More will make me _____.
2. More will make me _____.
3. More will make me _____.
4. More will make me feel _____.
5. More will finally be _____.

MEMORY VERSE:

*"Whoever loves money never has
enough; whoever loves wealth is never
satisfied with their income.
This too is meaningless."*

Ecclesiastes 5:10 (NIV)

Action Steps:

- _____ every nonessential purchase for seven days, including delivery fees and subscriptions.
- _____ the trigger, emotion, promise, purchase, and after effect—not only the price.
- _____ saved cards, one-click buying, promotional alerts, and shopping apps from vulnerable devices.
- Use a 24-hour pause for nonessential purchases and a longer pause for larger decisions.

CONGREGATIONAL DECLARATION: I will expose the lie behind the desire. I will not ask a purchase to do what only God can do.

2. WE MUST CHOOSE THE MASTER WHO CONTROLS OUR _____

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." **Matthew 6:21 (NKJV)**

- **Your _____ determines your outcome**

"The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!"

Matthew 6:22–23 (NIV)

- **You cannot serve _____ masters**

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Matthew 6:24 (NIV)

Action Steps:

- _____ the last 30 days of **spending prayerfully and without defensiveness.**
- Circle what served a genuine need, what expressed generosity, and what attempted to manage an emotion or image.
- Ask a trusted believer or spouse to help you see patterns you have minimized.
- Choose giving before discretionary spending so generosity becomes worship, not an afterthought.
- **Practice a weekly _____ without shopping or browsing to weaken the demand for constant consumption.**

CONGREGATIONAL DECLARATION: Jesus is my Master. Money will serve God's purposes; it will not rule my heart.

3. WE MUST PRACTICE _____ AND FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

"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 (NIV)**

- **Contentment must be _____**

"I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength." **Philippians 4:11–13 (NIV)**

- **Stewardship gives every _____
an assignment**

"Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful." **1 Corinthians 4:2 (NKJV)**

- **Generosity breaks the grip of more**
"Godliness with contentment is great gain."
1 Timothy 6:6 (NKJV)

CONGREGATIONAL DECLARATION: Christ is enough for me. I will manage God's resources faithfully, receive His provision gratefully, and live generously.

**I will serve God and use possessions
instead of _____
God and serving possessions.**

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS:

- ✓ I will memorize **Ecclesiastes 5:10 (NIV)**
- ✓ I will accept Christ for the first time
- ✓ I will join the New Life church family
- ✓ I will sign up for the next baptism

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