

SERMON NOTES

March 16 & 17, 2024

Unstuck: Go and Make it Right

Step 1 - We admit we are powerless over our fatal attraction to do wrong, and our lives have become unmanageable.

Step 2 - I believe there is a power greater than myself that can restore me to sanity.

Step 3 - I have made a decision to turn over my will and life to the care of God.

Step 4 - I resolve to make a searching and fearless moral inventory of myself.

Step 5 - I will admit to God, myself, and to another human being the exact nature of my wrongs.

Step 6 - I will make myself ready to have God remove all my character defects.

Step 7 - I will humbly ask God to remove my shortcomings.

Step 8 - I will _____ of all persons I have harmed and _____
_____ to them all.

Step 9 - I will make amends _____. **Matthew 5:23-24 | Luke 19:1-8**
Matthew 9:11 | Luke 15: 1 | Matthew 21: 31c

1. I will _____ of the people I have wronged.

2. What is _____?

3. _____ to make amends? **Numbers 5:6-7**

4. _____ to a wise and trusted, confidential Christian friend about making amends
_____ to the one I have harmed.

5. I will go to the other person, _____ and _____
_____.

Luke 19: 9

People

Harmed

Harm Caused

Am I Willing?

Life Steps

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Monday

Romans 7:14-25

Reflect: Step 1 - We admit we are powerless over our fatal attraction to do wrong, and our lives have become unmanageable. What part of your life do you feel the most powerless today? Write out a short note to God expressing how and why you need God's help. Begin working on the first "People" column of your amends list. Who have you harmed?

Prayer: God, I need your help.

Tuesday

Philippians 2:13

Reflect: Step 2 - I believe there is a power greater than myself that can restore me to sanity. Looking back, how has the power of God been working for the good in your life during our Unstuck Series? Continue working on the first "People" column of your amends list.

Prayer: God, thank you for working for the good in my life, even when I can't see or feel you working.

Wednesday

Romans 12:1

Reflect: Step 3 - I have made a decision to turn over my will and life to the care of God. What do you need to turn over to God today? Begin working on the second "Harmed" column of your Making Amends list. Are you willing to make amends? Why or why not?

Prayer: God, before diving into this day, I surrender my life and will to your care.

Thursday

Lamentations 3:40

Reflect: Step 4 - I resolve to make a searching and fearless moral inventory of myself. Do a quick inventory of the previous three days. Where have old habits, hurts, and hang-ups shown their presence? Continue working on the second "Harmed" column of your Making Amends list.

Prayer: God, grant me the courage to face the truth about myself and show me my next step toward becoming more like Jesus.

Friday

James 5:16

Reflect: Step 5 - I will admit to God, myself, and to another human being the exact nature of my wrongs. Review your Moral Inventory, and imagine you are reading it to your Fully Disclosing Friend. What do you imagine being their response? Why? Begin the hard work of the third "Harm Caused" column of your Making Amends list. What is the harm I have caused?

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me a sinner.

Saturday

James 4:10 | 1 John 1:9

Reflect: Step 6 - I will make myself ready to have God remove all my character defects. Step 7 - I will humbly ask God to remove my shortcomings. According to these passages, what would it look like for you to "make yourself ready" to have God remove your character defects? Continue working on the third "Harm Caused" column of your Making Amends list.

Prayer: God, today, before I dive in, cleanse me, heal me, forgive me. Make me right with you and with others.

Sunday

Luke 6:31 | Matthew 5:23-2

Reflect: Step 8 - I will make a list of all persons I have harmed and become willing to make amends to them all. Step 9 - I will make amends wherever possible. Review the status of your Making Amends list. Is there any action you need to take before attending worship?

Prayer: Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting.