

OVERCOMING YOUR FEAR OF COMMITMENT

LIVING FREE OF FEAR – PART 8

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I. THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING COMMITMENTS

MY COMMITMENTS...

1. REVEAL MY V _____

"No one can serve two masters." Matthew 6:24

2. SHAPE MY C _____

"Your life is shaped by your thoughts." Proverbs 4:23 (GN)

3. DETERMINE MY D _____

"What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? What can a man give in exchange for his soul?" Mark 8:36-37

II. WHY WE FEAR MAKING COMMITMENTS

4 COMMON BARRIERS

1. PAST H _____

2. SELF D _____

"A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways." James 1:8

3. DESIRE FOR I _____

4. P _____

"If you wait for perfect conditions, you'll never get anything done." Eccl. 11:4 (GN)

III. HOW TO OVERCOME THE FEAR OF COMMITMENT

1. ASK GOD W _____

"If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him." James 1:5 (NIV)

2. COMPARE THE B _____ WITH THE C _____

"It is a trap for a man to dedicate something rashly and only later to consider his vows." Prov. 20:25 (NIV)

Jesus *"Don't begin until you count the cost."* Luke 14:27 (LB)

3. T _____ G _____ TO HELP ME K _____ MY COMMITMENTS.

"Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust Him to help you do it, and He will." Psalm 37:5 (LB)

"It is God who is at work within you, giving you both the will and the power to achieve His purpose." Philippians 2:13 (Ph)

"... God is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him..." 2 Timothy 1:12 (KJV)

"... Asa's heart was fully committed to the Lord all his life." 2 Chronicles 15:17 (NIV)

"The eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him." 2 Chronicles 16:9 (NIV)