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2 Corinthians 10:8-18

COMPLACENCY IS THE DEVIL'S PLAYGROUND

⁸ For even if I boast a little too much of our authority, which the Lord gave for building you up and not for destroying you, I will not be ashamed. ⁹ I do not want to appear to be frightening you with my letters. ¹⁰ For they say, "His letters are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech of no account." ¹¹ Let such a person understand that what we say by letter when absent, we do when present. ¹² Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves. But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one another, they are without understanding.

¹³ But we will not boast beyond limits, but will boast only with regard to the area of influence God assigned to us, to reach even to you. ¹⁴ For we are not overextending ourselves, as though we did not reach you. For we were the first to come all the way to you with the gospel of Christ. ¹⁵ We do not boast beyond limit in the labors of others. But our hope is that as your faith increases, our area of influence among you may be greatly enlarged, ¹⁶ so that we may preach the gospel in lands beyond you, without boasting of work already done in another's area of influence. ¹⁷ "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord." ¹⁸ For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends.

IDENTIFY THE BLOCKAGE

2 Timothy 1:7

BLOCKED FROM LOVE AND POWER

⁷ For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Matthew 6:15

BLOCKED FROM FORGIVENESS

¹⁵ But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

2 Corinthians 1:4

BLOCKED FROM COMFORT

⁴ who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

Psalms 16:8

BLOCKED FROM SECURITY

⁸ I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

1 John 1:8

BLOCKED FROM HUMILITY

⁸ If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

Philippians 4:6-7

BLOCKED FROM PEACE

⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

2 Corinthians 12:10

BLOCKED FROM STRENGTH

¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Galatians 6:7

BLOCKED FROM REAPING

⁷ Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.

Joshua 1:8

BLOCKED FROM SUCCESS

⁸ Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

WHERE ARE YOU AT TODAY?

Revelation 3:15-17

WHERE ARE YOU REALLY AT?

¹⁵ I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. ¹⁷ You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’ But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked.

Acts 2:42-47

ARE YOU A SPECTATOR OR PARTICIPATOR?

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Romans 12:1

TONIGHT WE ARE BEING BEGGED TO GO ALL IN

¹ So I beg you, brothers and sisters, because of the great mercy God has shown us, offer your lives as a living sacrifice to him—an offering that is only for God and pleasing to him. Considering what he has done, it is only right that you should worship him in this way.
