



## World Christian Fellowship

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### Don't blame.

**Driving slow idiot**

**Driving fast maniac.**

**Standard is YOU!**

Adamic nature that blames God, Devil, and the people.

**Genesis 2:16-17**, *And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."*

**Genesis 3:12-13**, *Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>And the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."*

### Don't Blame God

If God is so loving and just, then what about...

- the world's starving children?
- wars, murders, etc., in this world God made.

- the hardships we endure in this life?

**Job 1:18-22**, while he was still speaking, another also came and said, “Your sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother’s house,<sup>19</sup> and suddenly a great wind came from across the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people, and they are dead; and I alone have escaped to tell you!”<sup>20</sup> Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and worshiped.<sup>21</sup> And he said: “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, And naked shall I return there. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord.”<sup>22</sup> In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.

**James 1:13-14**, Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.<sup>14</sup> But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

## **Blaming the Devil.**

**Genesis 3:13**, And the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

**John 8:44**, *You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.*

**Acts 5:3-4**, *But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? <sup>4</sup>While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God."*

## **Blaming Others.**

**Genesis 3:12**, *Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."*

**James 1:14**, *But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.*

**Exodus 32:24**, *And I said to them, 'Whoever has any gold, let them break it off.' So they gave it to me, and I cast it into the fire, and this calf came out."*

**Exodus 32:1-6**, *Now when the people saw that Moses delayed coming down from the mountain, the people gathered*

together to Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make us gods that shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him."

<sup>2</sup>And Aaron said to them, "Break off the golden earrings which are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." <sup>3</sup>So all the people broke off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup>And he received the gold from their hand, and he fashioned it with an engraving tool, and made a moulded calf. Then they said, "This is your god, O Israel, that brought you out of the land of Egypt!" <sup>5</sup>So when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow is a feast to the Lord." <sup>6</sup>Then they rose early on the next day, offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

## **How to overcome this sin?**

**Luke 13:1-5**, *There were present at that season some who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup>And Jesus answered and said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were worse sinners than all other Galileans, because they suffered such things? <sup>3</sup>I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed*

*them, do you think that they were worse sinners than all other men who dwelt in Jerusalem?<sup>51</sup> I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.”*

**Luke 12:58-59,** *When you go with your adversary to the magistrate, make every effort along the way to settle with him, lest he drag you to the judge, the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison. <sup>59</sup>I tell you, you shall not depart from there till you have paid the very last mite.”*

### **1. Accept the hurt and pain**

The best way to process it so that we don't have to carry it around anymore.

Fully recognizing the hurt and injustice we experienced prepares our hearts to forgive and move on.

Recognizing the problem, grieving the loss when appropriate, and then committing to forgive the offender are important in changing the blame game.

**1 John 1:9,** *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

## **2. Truth sets you free**

**John 8:32 & 36**, *And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."*

<sup>36</sup> *Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.*

## **3. Accept the consequences**

**Psalms 32:5**, *I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah*

## **4. Pride may prevent you**

**James 4:10**, *Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.*

## **5. Pray for a clean heart**

**Psalms 139:23-24**, *Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; <sup>24</sup>And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.*