

DON'T ASSUME **Reboot – Part 3 of 4**

REVIEW OF SERIES:

OBSERVATION: We learn from our mistakes in the areas that matter **LEAST**, but in the areas that matter most we **REPEAT** our mistakes.

THREE FAULTY ASSUMPTIONS:

1. **EXPERIENCE** assumption: We believe experience makes us **WISER**, but it is **EVALUATED** experience that makes us wiser.
2. I know **BETTER** assumption: We believe that since we know better, we will **DO** better.
3. **TIME** is not on my side assumption: I am not getting any **YOUNGER**, so I need to get on with it!

THE FIRST OF THREE THINGS WE MUST EMBRACE: We must **OWN** our part of our negative story.

- You cannot **BLAME** your way into a better future. Blame enables us to **SMUGGLE** our issues into our future.

THE SECOND OF THREE THINGS WE MUST EMBRACE: We must **RETHINK**.

- The question we often ask ourselves: What was I **THINKING**?
- If you **THINK** the way you used to think, you will **DO** the things you used to do.

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...” Romans 12:1-2

KEY TRUTH #1: You are not transformed simply by the engagement of your **WILL**. You are transformed by the renewing of your **MIND**.

KEY TRUTH #2: Renewal takes **TIME**.

*“2 ...then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”
Romans 12:2b*

7 DANGEROUS THOUGHTS:

1. If I can find the **RIGHT** person, everything will work out right.
2. My situation is **UNIQUE**.
3. It’s not right, but it makes me **HAPPY** and **GOD** wants me to be happy.
4. If only I had “_____”, I would be **SATISFIED**.
5. **OWING** is better than **WANTING**.
6. My secret is **SAFE**.
7. **SEX** will fix it.