## BEGINNING TODAY...



**BIBLE STUDY** 



### Come learn how to **BE** HAPPY in 2020 Philippians 1 TUESDAY MORNING 10:30 AM Goodlette-Arms Apartments Community Center

#### <u>950 Goodlette-Frank Rd,</u> WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:00 PM GIRL SCOUT BUILDING... CAMBIER PARK

#### **CELEBRATION NOTES**

accessful people do <u>consistently</u> what other people do <u>occasionally</u>.

"Our habits will make us or break us. We become what we repeatedly do." Sean Covey

<u>I don't really understand myself</u>, for I want to do <u>what is</u> <u>right</u>, but I <u>don't do it</u>. Instead, <u>I do what I hate</u>.<sup>18</sup> ... I want to do <u>what is right</u>, but <u>I can't</u>.<sup>19</sup> I want to do <u>what</u> <u>is good</u>, but <u>I don't</u>. <u>I don't want to do what is wrong</u>, <u>but</u> <u>I do it anyway</u>. ... <sup>24</sup>Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? <sup>25</sup>Thank God! The answer is in <u>Jesus Christ</u> <u>our Lord</u>. ... Romans 7:15, 18-19, 24-25

Three Reasons We Don't Succeed

# **1.** We focus on the <u>what</u> but don't understand the how.

"You don't rise to the level of your goals, you fall to the level of your systems." James Clear

#### 2. We don't see progress <u>fast</u> enough.

- Wrongly conclude: Small <u>good</u> decisions don't matter that much.
- Wrongly conclude: Small <u>bad</u> decisions don't matter that much.
- Our <u>life</u> is the sum total of all the <u>small</u> decisions that we make.

• It's the things that no one <u>sees</u> that bring results everyone <u>wants</u>.

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9

#### **3.** Our distorted identity <u>sabotages</u> our success.

• An unhealthy identity creates unwise <u>habits</u>.

• Unwise habits reinforce an unhealthy <u>identity</u>. We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. <u>We</u> <u>are no longer slaves to sin</u>. <sup>7</sup> For when we died with Christ we were <u>set free from the power of sin</u>. ... <sup>18</sup> Now <u>you are free from your slavery to sin</u>, and you have become <u>slaves to righteous living</u>. Romans 6:6-7, 18

- A healthy identity creates positive <u>habits</u>.
- Positive habits reinforce a healthy <u>identity</u>.

• WHO DO YOU WANT TO BECOME?