



Resistance: *What Do You Do When They Push Back?*

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I. INTRODUCTION

→Amber, Josh and their mom.

→Couples doing marital mentoring.

→Nathan with David

→Jesus with Parables

II. DEFINITION

A. What is resistance?

B. Biblical Examples of Resistance

Adam Genesis 3:9-12

Cain Genesis 4:9

Proverbs 13:1b

Peter Mark 14:66-72

Pharisees Luke 11:53-54

III. What to do with it?

A. Guard against judging

1. Expect it
2. Understand it
3. Guard against judging them
4. Remember it is their life

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- B. Several passages that can help them evaluate where their heart is on the issue
1. **Psalm 32:3-5** – Conviction rejected takes a toll on us
 2. **Psalm 51** – Ask them if David’s words reflect their attitude on their sin
 3. **Proverbs 3:5-8** – Ask them to evaluate what they are trusting
 4. **Proverbs 16:25** – Can they identify with this principle in their own life
 5. **Isaiah 55:1-2** – Have they “spent money” on that which doesn’t satisfy?
 6. **Jeremiah 2:10-13** – Have they turned away from the Lord as fresh water
 7. **Matthew 7:24-27** – Any trend of hearing, seeing but not changing?
 8. **Matthew 16:25** – Help them see the reason we avoid seeing our sin
 9. **James 1:21-24** – Any tendency to see the wrong but not change?
 10. **James 4:7-8** – Cleanse your hands, sinners. Why is more still needed?

IV. Final Suggestions

A. Slow Down

Matthew 7:6 Matthew 23:37 1 Thess. 2:7-8 2 Tim. 2:24-26

B. Call for Repentance

Psalm 51:4 Matthew 5:23-24

C. Processing