Small Habits Big Difference — Steady Habits

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I. Transplanted

Keys to steadfast living:

Jeremiah 17:7—8 (NIV) *Trust in God vs. trust in human solutions...*7 "But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. 8 They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

II. How Do We View life?

Isaiah 57:15 (NIV) God comforts the repentant... 15 For this is what the high and exalted One says—
he who lives forever, whose name is holy:
"I live in a high and holy place,
but also with the one who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly
and to revive the heart of the contrite.

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III. The Cure for Our Hearts

How I live as a Christ follower daily...

2 Corinthians 7:1, 8—13 (NIV) *Paul's Joy...* **1** Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God...

8 Even if I caused you sorrow by my letter, I do not regret it. Though I did regret it—I see that my letter hurt you, but only for a little while—9 yet now I am happy, not because you were made sorry, but

because your sorrow led you to repentance. For you became sorrowful as God intended and so were not harmed in any way by us. 10 Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death. 11 See what this godly sorrow has produced in you: what earnestness, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what concern, what readiness to see justice done. At every point you have proved yourselves to be innocent in this matter. 12 So even though I wrote to you, it was neither on account of the one who did the wrong nor on account of the injured party, but rather that before God you could see for yourselves how devoted to us you are. 13 By all this we are encouraged.

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IV. Habits that Steady Life by Tending Our Roots

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Father, pour out your Holy Spirit on my life. I want Godly sorrow that brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret. Deliver me form complacency. In Jesus Name. —Amen.

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