

## **Turn Around God Part 2: Finding Freedom**

### **Luke 4:18 [NIV]**

<sup>18</sup> “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

### **James 1:13-15 [NIV]**

<sup>13</sup> When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; <sup>14</sup> but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. <sup>15</sup> Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

### **3 Keys to Finding Freedom:**

- I. Review our past, identify our issue, then own it and expose it.
  - a. To begin the process of cleaning up our lives, we must identify and confide in someone that cares about our heart more than our problems.
  - b. Don’t be bound by sin, it will cost us more than we ever want to pay. Let go and take steps to move forward to what God has for you.

### **1 John 1:9 [NIV]**

<sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

- II. Know we are not defined by the mistakes of our past.
  - a. We cannot live a life defined by our past. Define yourself by God’s word.
    - i. We are of his royal priesthood, his special possession and called out of the darkness into his light.

### **1 Peter 2:9 [NIV]**

<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

- III. Seek help when necessary
  - a. Know that it is okay to seek help. Find someone you can trust and who can help you grow in that area.
  - b. Don't carry the baggage of your past. We are not meant to do life alone.

**Matthew 6:33 [NIV]**

<sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.