



White Christmas

Ghost of Christmas Past

Your memories remind you of what you were taking the focus off of what you've _____.

_____ DOESN'T HEAL ANYTHING.

- **It's what you DO over _____ that brings healing.**

The first way people try to deal with their past is to

Proverbs 28:13-Whoever conceals his sins does not prosper *but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.*

_____ comes in when we expose the things that are hidden.

The second thing we do with our past is

Psalms 38:4-8 (in summary)-I am drowning in the flood of my sins, they are a burden too heavy to bear...***Because I've been foolish, I'm utterly worn out and crushed, my heart is troubled...***

- **We think this way: It's not that I HAVE a problem..._____ the problem**

The Third thing we do with our past is

Gen. 3:13- The serpent deceived me, and I ate.

The Solution: We need to _____ God.



Even in church, we confuse a person's _____ with their _____.

Worth isn't determined by what YOU DO.

- **It's determined by WHO YOU ARE.**

2 Cor 5:17-If anyone is in Christ, he is a NEW creation; the OLD HAS GONE, the new has come!

1 Timothy 1:13-15-Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst.

How do we 'give up the ghosts'? Stop trying to _____ forgiveness.

Forgiveness is so expensive if it has to be freely given.

Eph. 2:8-9-For it is by grace you have been saved through faith—and this not of yourselves, it is the gift of God—not of works, so that no one can boast.

_____ create false realities in our lives.

1 Cor 1:30 *says Christ has made me right with God, He made me pure and holy, and He freed me from sin.'*

_____ that we don't know we can't use!

Eph. 2:10- ***we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God has prepared in advance for us to do.***