HOW TO DRIFT FROM GOD

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"But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning , your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ." II Corinthians 11:3 (NIV)

Matthew 13:3-9; 18-23

"When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path." Matthew 13:19 (NIV)

"The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. [v.21] But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away." Matthew 13:20,21 (NIV)

"The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful." Matthew 13:22 (NIV)

"But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown." Matthew 13:23 (NIV)

"We must pay the most careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away." Hebrews 2:1 (NIV)

5 Simple Steps to Drift From God

Step #1: Neglect your _____.

"You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you,..." Psalm 63:1a (NIV)

Step #2: _____.

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;" Proverbs 3:5 (NIV)

"...In this world you will have trouble..." John 16:33b (NIV)

Step #3: Hang around ______.

"Do not be misled: 'Bad company corrupts good character." I Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)

Step #4: Give into _____

"No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it." I Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)

"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them." I John 2:15 (NIV)

Step #5: _____.

"The Lord says: 'These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught.'" Isaiah 29:13 (NIV)