

The Poison of "Me"

Push Back

Points To Ponder:

- We have all authority.
- On our worst day, we still have more power than Satan.
- Satan has to bow to Jesus in us.
- Most of the time, the issues of life are tied to a poison from the past.
- The poison that seems so minor today can work its way to destroy our life later.
- The real poison of life is "ME".
- Until you learn how to overcome the poison of "ME" you will forever live defeated.

SCRIPTURE READING: Daniel 4:1 – 37

- Nebuchadnezzar speaks truth about God.
- The king knew that God was in Daniel.
- The world seeks Christians for the answer, just as Nebuchadnezzar sought Daniel for the answer.
- The poison of "ME".
- Every problem comes back to "ME".
- We can try to blame it on others, but "ME" often shows back up.
- God gives us power over Satan. We have to learn to overcome "ME".
- "ME" can resurface if we don't keep "ME" under control.
- Anytime you try to fix "ME" it gets risky because you have to own it.
- A lot of our struggles are interior issues of "ME".
- It's easy to fake it if you stay superficial and fake "ME".
- Relationship will always reveal the worst in you to pull out the best in you.
- When it doesn't go our way, our "ME" comes out,
- When our "ME" isn't happy, we forget about the HE (GOD) that is in charge.
- The art of pride turns us from the "ME" He wants us to be.
- We have to let HE be in charge of the "ME"
- Act like the HE and BR the "ME" HE wants you to be.

Is there an area where your "ME" is in control?

Why is "ME" so risky to having a good life?

Why is it so easy to fake "ME"?

What does this mean to you: *God give us authority over Satan but we have to learn how to control "ME"?*

HOW TO DIE TO YOUR "ME" TO REVEAL HIS "HE".

READ: Luke 2:46 – 50

1. Live for God's purposes and not your own.

- Jesus had to be about the work of someone bigger.
- He knew there was a bigger purpose.
- We have to realize there is a purpose bigger than "ME".
- Beyond what you see, there's a bigger purpose.
- You are not here on this planet just for you.
- Let the river of HIM flow out of you.
- You have a bigger purpose don't lose it to pride.
- The beginning of pride is a kingdom vs. kingdom issue. Yourself vs. God's will'

How does your God given purpose help you overcome the struggle of "ME"?

How does "ME" often hinder God's business?

Why is it so easy to be focused on "ME" rather than "HE" (God)?

READ: John 13:1-5

2. You must learn to serve others.

- Take off your robe and pick up a towel.
- Serving others gets rid of pride.
- Ask God to use your life to bless someone else's life.
- In us is a purpose bigger than us.
- The smallest things have the greatest significance in God's kingdom.

How does serving another rid you of the "ME" problem?

Why do you think Jesus took off His robe for grabbing His towel?

What does that towel represent?

How does a robe affect "ME"?

How does a towel affect "ME"?