

1 Timothy 4:12 *Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*

- Many of Christians get burnt out because they are operating without the power of the God.
- Signs of this:
 - We'll get _____ easier
 - We'll get _____ easier
 - We'll get _____ easier

Making a Difference by Being Different

Jude 22 *And of some have compassion, making a difference:*

Matthew 5:13 *Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.*

Romans 12:2 *And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what [is] that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*

What exactly does it mean to be different?

The definition of different: “not alike in character or quality; distinct in nature; dissimilar”

- It means that we _____ differently.

Romans 12:2 *...but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind...*

Proverbs 23:7 *For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he...*

- It means that we _____ differently.
 - A natural outgrowth of right thinking is right _____.

Romans 12:2 *And be not conformed to this world...*

We must also understand that if we are to ever make a difference in this life for Christ, we must remember and apply three words to our lives:



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- _____ | We've got to want to make a difference.
- _____ | We've got to properly evaluate where we are at as a difference maker.
- _____ | The definition of strive: "make great efforts to achieve for obtain something"

I'd like to share **four** ways in which we can make a bigger difference for the cause of Christ.

1. By being different from the _____ we are reaching

1 Peter 2:9 *But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people (uncommon, unusual to the world, belonging exclusively to some person or group); that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:*

Philippians 2:15 *That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;*

1 Peter 2:12 *Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by [your] good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.*

- In order to make a difference, we must have what the world needs:
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____ which is only received by living daily in the center of God's Will!

2. By being different from the _____ we are helping

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- As a leader, we should strive to be where our ministry members can _____ to be.
- Be a leader...not a _____

3. By being different from the _____ we are leading.

- As parents, we should be the premier examples of where we want our children to grow to be.

Proverbs 22:6 *Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.*

1 Peter 5:3 *Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.*

- In regards to their _____ with God.
- In regards to their _____ / _____.
- In regards to their _____.
- In regards to their _____.
- In regards to their _____ / _____.

4. By being different from the saved we are _____ with.

- The goal of this thought is not to wrongfully compare ourselves to one another under the umbrella of pride... but rather to be a Godly example to those we labor with

2 Corinthians 10:12 *For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.*