

Evening Lesson

DO I NEED TO CHANGE STREETS?

James 4:7

INTRO:

1. "...Just in case I was tempted."
2. Do we learn from our mistakes?

I. I MUST LEARN THAT I CANNOT WALK MY OWN PATH.

- A. Jer. 10:23.
- B. Prov. 14:12.
- C. 1 Cor. 1:20, 21, 25-29

II. I MUST WALK THE DIFFICULT PATH.

- A. Matt. 7:13, 14.
- B. God puts me on that path when I place my trust in him.
- C. Psalm 119:105; 2 John 9; 1 John 1:7.

III. AUTOBIOGRAPHY IN FIVE SHORT CHAPTERS.

- A. Chapter 1
I walk down the street.
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.
I fall in. I am lost...I am helpless.
It isn't my fault. It takes forever to find a way out.
- B. Chapter 2
I walk down the same street.
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.
I pretend I don't see it. I fall in again.
I can't believe I am in the same place,
But it isn't my fault. It still takes a long time to get out.
- C. Chapter 3
I walk down the same street.
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.
I see it is there. I still fall in...it is a habit.
My eyes are open. I know where I am. It is my fault.
I get out immediately.
- D. Chapter 4
I walk down the same street.
There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.
I walk around it.
- E. Chapter 5
I walk down another street.

CONC:

1. Have I been down this street before?
2. Did I get hurt the last time?
3. Do I need to change streets?