

MESSAGE NOTES

MESSAGE QUESTIONS

1. Share your favorite story from a book, a movie, a play or a musical about the human struggle to not be enticed to do the wrong thing and make good choices. Do the stories always conclude with a happy ending or do the main characters sometimes fail? Do we learn best from happy endings or not so happy endings?
2. Re-read verse 10. The verse uses the word "if," when talking about sinful men enticing us to make poor choices. In the message Pastor Derek said that the verse should read, "when sinful men entice you," and not "if sinful men entice you." Do you agree with Pastor Derek? Why or Why not? At some point will we be enticed to do the wrong thing? How often does this happen?
3. Verse 10 also refers to "sinful men," enticing us to take unwise actions? Why is the phrase "sinful men," somewhat misleading? Who in your life has enticed you the most to take unwise actions?
4. Share a time when someone you know enticed you to do something you know you should not have done. What were the circumstances? What happened? What did you learn from this?
5. In the text it appears that the enticing by the "sinful men," is obvious. But when people try to entice us to do wrong things is it always obvious? When are we the most susceptible to being enticed? How can you tell if you are being enticed to do the wrong thing?
6. Why do we let people talk us into or cajole us into doing things we know we should not be doing? Why do we go along with the crowd at times?
7. According to verses 18 - 19 people who do bad or unwise things eventually face the consequences for their actions or words. Do you believe this? Does it ever seem to you that some people never face any repercussions for their actions? How does that make you feel? What should we do when we feel this way?
8. In the message Pastor Derek told us that in order to protect ourselves from "sinful people," we should take four steps: 1. Examine those around us. 2. Distance our-selves from those people who are a negative influence on us. 3. Surround our-selves with people who will be a positive influence on us. 4. Be accountable to a person or a group of people for our actions. Do you agree with Pastor Derek's steps? Why or why not? What other steps should we take? How and why would some of these steps be difficult to take?

ALL CHURCH

Give Blood.

West Hills - Blood drive
 Sunday - July 24
 Fellowship Hall
 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



WALK-INS WELCOME
 Bring your donor card or drivers license, must be 18 yrs. or 16 yrs. with parent permission.

Schedule your appointment online today!

http://www.redcrossblood.org/give/drive/driveSearchList.jsp?zipSponsor=WestHillsChurch&sd=070616&ed=100416&zipFormat=false&_requestid=92289

Or contact Charissa Wells 402-391-8662 X 1020

Please make RapidPass a priority the **day of your donation** only at www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass

You can do your health questionnaire on your laptop or desktop and bring the receipt with you to donate. You will save up to 15 minutes.

You can hold the power to save lives in the palm of your hand with the FREE Red Cross Blood Donor App! Text "BLOODAPP" to 90999 or download it from the App StoreSM or the Google PlayTM store!

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SPIRITUAL FORMATION

FOLLOW: TODAY, 9:30 a.m., chapel. Religion says change and you can join us. Jesus says, "Join us and you will change." What does it mean to follow Jesus? Join us this summer for a DVD, small group study by Andy Stanley as we explore what being a Jesus follower is all about.

C.S. LEWIS AND MERE CHRISTIANITY: TODAY - chapel, 11:00 a.m. Learn about C.S. Lewis, his life and journey to faith while we study **Mere Christianity**, considered Lewis's greatest book. Jeff Smith teaching.

KINGDOM ASSETS: What is the goal when ministering to people in need in our city? Explore this question and the "Hidden Rules" that people live by, based on the book "A Framework for Understanding Poverty" by Ruby Payne. Hear how the culture in north Omaha is being transformed and the gospel is making breakthroughs in Christian community development. Shawn Deane, Abide Ministries, July 24 & 31, at both 9:30 and 11:00 in the chapel.

CAREGIVING

TODAY – CASSEROLE CARE – West Hills hosts a Foster Family Support Group that meets six times a year. Help us support these busy families with homemade casseroles. Pick up a disposable casserole dish in Geneva Lounge today. Make one of your favorite casseroles and attach the recipe. You can add a card or note telling the family you are praying for them as well. **Return your casserole frozen next Sunday, July 17 to Geneva Lounge.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Church: First Presbyterian Church, Omaha, Nebraska.

Deaths: Prayers for staff member, Beth Nodes and family on the loss of her father, Bob Bennett.

Families to Pray For: B. & Bo Gratton, Lyn & Pat Graves, Daryl & Cathy Greger, Gloria Grey, Mary Gross, Kurt & Rennie Grosseohme, Laurayne Hall, Martha Hall, Rhonda Hall, and Chris & Erika Hanna.

Chancel flowers are given today by Ted and Barb Killham in celebration of their 44th wedding anniversary!

Encouragement Cards and the drop box are located at the Caregiving Corner in Geneva Lounge. Send a word of encouragement to someone this week!

If you have a concern or prayer need during the week, call the following Stephen Ministers, also after today's service in the quiet room: Sherry Reese 402-333-0807 (9:30); Roxie Frazier 402-330-8762 (11:00).

Prayer Chain

Roxie Frazier (402-330-8762) roxiefraz@cox.net,
 rfrazier@thefrazierco.com
 Shirley Nelson (402-391-8370) shurlnelson@gmail.com

Prayer Pager Ministry

Pager # 1 – phone # 402-271-1053 (congregational pager): This week the pager is going to Al Kerkhove. Prayers for Al as he heals from surgery and begins chemo treatments.

Pager # 2 – phone #402-271-1155 (staff pager): This week's staff member to pray for is Jackie O'Dell, director of Spiritual Formation. Prayers for the planning and start-up of the new Connection Groups, beginning this fall.

*When you've prayed for one of these people, dial the corresponding phone number. After the beep, press 1 2 3 # and hang up. You will NOT be called back. Thank you!



RIBBON CUTTING & CELEBRATION SATURDAY, JULY 30, 11 AM:

Save the date! We can't wait to celebrate what the Lord has done at the Skinner East Lighthouse! Sign up in Geneva Lounge to help with the event.

Come and see our Lighthouse and have lunch. Please plan to carpool, parking is limited. Can you give a ride to someone else? Need a ride? Sign up in Geneva Lounge for transportation needs.

LANDSCAPING & GARDENING

We're planning a yard work day for Saturday, **July 16, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** If you can help, please sign up in Geneva Lounge or contact Dana Bradfield, bradfield.dana@gmail.com or 402-331-9534.

PAINTING

We are painting the interior of the Lighthouse **now through Saturday, July 16.** We need people who can work during the week, as well as the weekends. Please sign up in Geneva Lounge or contact Caitlin O'Hare.

Prayers phase 4 & 5

- Volunteers who can work during the week
- To pass our final inspections with the city
- For Brendan & Alee George, who will be our Lighthouse family, as they prepare for this new adventure
- Stamina for the leadership team as we sprint to the finish line
- Good weather for the celebration on July 30

