

SESSION #9

JOURNEYMEN: WHAT DEPRAVITY MEANS SPECIFICALLY FOR MEN

A REVIEW OF WHAT DEPRAVITY MEANS, IN GENERAL:

1. We are all _____ by nature.
2. Most of my real problems in life are _____ of me, not _____ of me.
3. Depravity cannot be _____ by education, environment, self-understanding, or will-power.
4. We attempt to cover our depravity with all kinds of sophisticated _____.
5. We must not _____ ourselves.
6. Admitting my depravity is the _____ in finding God.
7. Progress in godliness is marked by an increasing _____ of the depth and extent of my depravity.

WHAT DEPRAVITY MEANS, IN SPECIFIC, FOR MEN:

A. AN INTERPRETIVE METHOD.

B. THREE PRINCIPLES DERIVED.

1. Men have a natural tendency to avoid _____ responsibility.

2. Men tend to _____ over women and children.

3. Men tend to get lost in _____ and lose sight of their _____ cause.

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

1. What kind of mask has your depravity worn? Ex: my procrastination isn't sin it's just the "laid-back" aspect of my special temperament with which I was born.

2. Which of the three masculine characteristics of depravity do you struggle with most? Explain.

3. What personal insights have you gained about depravity and how it affects you?

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