

**HIDE OR SEEK**



The road to freedom  
begins with being honest  
with yourself about yourself.

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*What do you call people who lie, cuss a little, cheat, covet, are lustful, struggle with greed; have been known to fudge on their taxes; have been a bit racist and sexist; have been known to experience depression; have a problem with anger, a problem with porn,*

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*with loneliness, with being hateful; a problem with being too judgmental and self-righteous; people who can eat too much, drink too much, spend too much and self-medicate too much because of fear, anxiety, or worry; yet they believe that Jesus died for their sins, was buried and raised from the dead?*

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**Christians**

We tend to get distracted while following Jesus, and when that happens, **anything** can happen.

**A distraction can be the  
catalyst for destruction.**

**An unfocused faith results  
in an unrestrained life.**



We must pay the most careful **attention**, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not **drift away**.

**Hebrews 2:1 NIV**

**We tend to feel in control even  
as we drift away out of control.**

See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that **turns away** from the living God.

**Hebrews 3:12 NIV**

But encourage one another daily,  
as long as it is called “Today,” so  
that none of you may be **hardened**  
by sin’s **deceitfulness**.

**Hebrews 3:13 NIV**

**A focused faith results  
in a restrained life.**

Now **faith** is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what **we do not see**.

This is what the ancients were commended for.

**Hebrews 11:1-2 NIV**

And without **faith** it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he **rewards** those who earnestly seek him.

**Hebrews 11:6 NIV**

**Therefore**, since we are  
surrounded by such a great cloud  
of **witnesses**,

**Hebrews 12:1 NIV**



Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that **hinders** and the sin that so easily **entangles**.

**Hebrews 12:1 NIV**

And let us run with **perseverance**  
the race marked out for us,

**Hebrews 12:1 NIV**

**fixing our eyes** on Jesus, the  
pioneer and perfecter of faith.

**Hebrews 12:2 NIV**

For the joy set before him he endured **the cross**, scorning **its shame**, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Hebrews 12:2 NIV**

**Consider him** who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

**Hebrews 12:3 NIV**

The difference between who you are today and who you want to be tomorrow is what you do right now.