

DESTROYING SINFUL COMPARISON

January 17, 2021

Luke 18:9-14, Luke 10:38-42, John 21:18-22 & Various Scriptures

- I. _____ sinful comparison. — 1 Cor. 11:1, Heb. 6:12, Tit. 2:7, 1 Tim. 4:12, Ex. 20:17, Gen. 4:3-7, Gal. 6:4, Jas. 3:16, Phil. 2:3, 1 Cor. 13:4

*Comparing to _____ leads me to sanctification while
comparing to _____ leads me to sin.*

- II. _____ the roots of sinful comparison. — Lk. 18:9-14, Lk. 10:38-42, Jn. 21:18-22

*Sinful comparison reveals my heart is _____
rather than Christ and the Gospel.*

- III. _____ sinful comparison. — Heb. 12:2, 2 Cor. 10:12, 1 Cor. 15:10, 1 Cor. 7:17, 1 John 1:9, Heb. 13:5, Phil. 4:11-13

When you think about sinful comparison in your life, what is the primary root of it? What is driving you to make those sinful comparisons? What comes from them? What is the result in your mind, heart and life? How does this impede your growth in Christ?

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

What sinful comparison do you need to repent of today? What Scripture and promises of God can help you turn from that sinful comparison and follow Jesus. Write down one verse to memorize this week to help you think vertically rather than horizontally when it comes to comparison.



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SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

God doesn't call me to be superior; He calls me to be _____.

God's Promises:

1. Jesus chose you and appointed you – John 15:16
2. God will equip you – Heb. 13:21
3. God will always provide sufficient grace for you – 1 Cor. 12:9
4. God sees and rewards faithful, obscure labors for him – Mat. 6:6
5. God assesses the heart, not outward impressiveness – 1 Sam. 16:7
6. God will complete the work he began in you – Phil. 1:6
7. Jesus will always be with you – Mat. 28:20

When I am _____ in Jesus I feel no desire to compare.

**SINFUL _____ STEALS
MY _____ IN CHRIST.**

Stewardship Report:

Last Week: \$7,063.00
 This Month: \$11,093.00
 Last Month: \$28,172.00
 Monthly Budget: \$26,531.00



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1. STUDY THE SCRIPTURE

Review the scriptures from the first point of the sermon notes. What is the difference between sanctified and sinful comparison? What does Scripture say about each type of comparison? How does this relate to how our culture engages in comparison?

Read Luke 18:9-14, Luke 10:38-42, John 21:18-22. What root of sinful comparison does each of these stories portray and what evidence do you see in the Scriptures to support that conclusion? What does each story point to as the solution for destroying these roots of sinful comparison?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What are some ways you compare yourself to others? Give some specific recent examples. Are these sanctified or sinful comparisons? What positive and negative impacts has comparison had on your mind and life?

