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“MAKING THE CUT”

"You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell. Matthew 5:27-30

Anything that is causing you to stumble, or sin, or hold you back needs to be done away with.

But here's the kicker; many of us are struggling and fighting just to simply stay alive because we are unwilling to cut those things loose.

I. What it is killing?

- A) It is killing our joy
- B) It is killing our peace
- C) It is killing our hope
- D) It is killing our spiritual life

II. It's Time To Make the Cut

- A) Cutting Loose often requires us to let go of the comfortable
- B) Cutting Loose is often painful
- C) Cutting Loose often leaves scars
- D) Cutting Loose is often necessary in order to survive

III. How does God cut away

- A) He uses His people

“Wounds from a friend can be trusted...” Proverbs 27:6

- B) He uses His word

“For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” Hebrews 4:12

C) He uses His Spirit

“In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.”
Romans 8:26