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ATONEMENT

“How to Diagnose Overconfidence” (Part 1)

MATTHEW 26:30-35



KEY POINT:

Overconfidence is not **trusting God** and the **resources**
He gives us.



*Pride goes before destruction,
and a haughty spirit before a fall.*

Proverbs 16:18



“As is typical of Peter,
he responds boldly,
telling Jesus that he can indeed
follow Him now.
In fact, he will follow Him even
to death if necessary (v. 37).
But Peter is speaking out of...

**R.C. Sproul,
“Peter’s Overconfidence”**



“...confidence in his own power and faithfulness. He does not realize that he is weak, but Jesus tells him that soon even loyal Peter will deny Christ before men.

Peter is overconfident,...

R.C. Sproul,

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“...trusting in his flesh and not in the power of the Spirit to sustain him. We, likewise, can place too much stock in our own abilities.

So, as Calvin writes, ‘let each of us examine his own defects,...

**R.C. Sproul,
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“...that he may not be swelled
with vain confidence.”

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Psalm 115:1

*NOT TO US, O LORD, not to us,
but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!*

**Sample of What They Sang
After the Lord's Supper**



Psalm 115:2

*Why should the nations say,
“Where is their God?”*

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Psalm 115:9

*O Israel, trust in the LORD! He is
their help and their shield.*

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Psalm 116:3

*The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I
suffered distress and anguish.*

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Psalm 116:13

I will lift up THE CUP OF SALVATION and call on the name of the LORD,

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After the Lord's Supper**



Psalm 116:15

*Precious in the sight of the LORD is
the death of his saints.*

**Sample of What They Sang
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Psalm 118:14

*The LORD is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.*

**Sample of What They Sang
After the Lord's Supper**



Psalm 118:22

*The stone that the builders rejected has become
the cornerstone.*

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1. Absalom led a revolt against his father David, who fled there to weep (II Samuel 15:30).
2. Ahithophel fled here after betraying David (II Samuel 15:31).
3. Where Jesus preached about Jerusalem's fate (Mark 13:3)
4. Where Jesus ascends into heaven (Acts 1:9, 12)
5. The day of the Lord (Zechariah 14)

The Mount of Olives



*“Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who stands next to me,” declares the LORD of hosts.
“Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered;
I will turn my hand against the little ones.”*

Zechariah 13:7



*He answered,
“I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”*

Matthew 15:24



Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.

Matthew 28:7



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*Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands
take heed lest he fall.*

1 Corinthians 10:12



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1. Evening (6:00pm-9:00pm)
2. Midnight (9:00pm-12:00am)
3. Cock Crow (12:00am-3:00am)
4. Morning (3:00am-6:00am)

The Jewish View of Nighttime



I. Do I compare myself to others?

II. Do I trust myself?

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³¹ “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, ³² but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”

Luke 22:31-32



*The heart is deceitful above all things,
and desperately sick; who can understand it?*

Jeremiah 17:9



*Blessed are the meek,
for they shall inherit the earth.*

Matthew 5:5



⁷ So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me...

II Corinthians 12:7-10



⁹ But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”

Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰ For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

II Corinthians 12:7-10



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The Put Off

Do not compare yourself
to others.

Do not trust in your
own strength.

The Put On

Ask for help from others.

Trust in God's provisions.

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

I Corinthians 10:13



“God promises that with the trial he will also ‘make a way of escape in order that you may be able to endure it.’

Every box has its way out;
every problem has a solution;
every trial will come to an...

Jay Adams,
Christ and Your Problems



“...end for God’s children.
This is not true, of course,
for others. One of the most
fearful facts about the eternal
punishment of hell is the great
eternal gulf that separates it
from Jesus Christ, forever...

Jay Adams,
Christ and Your Problems



“...There is no exit from hell,
no way of escape, no end of
suffering and trial. That is why
men without Christ fear death;
somehow they realize that
death is a box without an exit.
And the fear of death (with its...

Jay Adams,
Christ and Your Problems



“...consequences) makes life itself a box. But the Christian, who knows that Jesus Christ entered the box for him and broke through the walls of death that the fear of its eternal engulfing power might be removed, no longer need...

Jay Adams,
Christ and Your Problems



“...fear death, nor life.
Whatever way of escape God
may provide, even if it is the
very best of all,...if you have
been saved by grace through
faith in Jesus Christ, you may be
certain that the way out will
come just as...

Jay Adams,
Christ and Your Problems



“...surely as the problem itself. God says that together with the trial there will also be ‘a way of escape.’ Knowing this, simply knowing that there will be an end to the trial, is itself most reassuring. The knowledge enables you...

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“...to go on. It spurs you on and helps you to continue to assume your responsibilities before God. It gives hope. You can endure anything when you know that it has an end. Depressed, discouraged Christian,...

Jay Adams,
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“...let me urge you to take God at His word. No matter how dark the night may seem – the morning will come.

With the darkness there is also light. There is Christ; and in Him is light, light that will enable...

Jay Adams,
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“... you to endure it.
The box may seem
impregnable, but it isn't –
not to God.”

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