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TURNAROUND

DISCOVER THE KEYS FOR LIFE
TRANSFORMATION AT AGAPE HOUSE

PASS THE TEST

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Judges 6:33-35 “Soon afterward the armies of Midian, Amalek, and the people of the east formed an alliance against Israel and crossed the Jordan, camping in the valley of Jezreel. Then the Spirit of the Lord clothed Gideon with power. He blew a ram’s horn as a call to arms, and the men of the clan of Abiezer came to him. He also sent messengers throughout Manasseh, Asher, Zebulun, and Naphtali, summoning their warriors, and all of them responded.”

The Three Tests You Must Pass For Your Turnaround

1. The Test of CONVICTIONS.

Convictions are the foundational principles upon which you base your decisions.

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Judges 7:2 “The Lord said to Gideon, ‘You have too many warriors with you. If I let all of you fight the Midianites, the Israelites will boast to Me that they saved themselves by their own strength.’”

Proverbs 14:11-12 “The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the godly will flourish. There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.”

Proverbs 3:5-6 “Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take.”

Final Exam Question: Are you going through life based on assumptions or are you dedicated to follow Jesus Christ?

Matthew 9:9 “Jesus said,
‘Follow Me.’”

John 10:27 “Jesus said, ‘My sheep
listen to My voice; I know them, and
they follow Me.’”

- Keep in Constant
Communication with God. 1
Thessalonians 5:17 “Never stop
praying.”
- Keep in Step with God.
Galatians 5:25 “Since we live by
the Spirit, let us keep in step
with the Spirit.”

**Pass the Test! “I am dedicated to
follow Jesus.”**

2. The Test of COMMITMENT.

Judges 7:3 “The Lord said to Gideon, ‘Therefore, tell the people, Whoever is timid or afraid may leave this mountain and go home.’ So 22,000 of them went home, leaving only 10,000 who were willing to fight.”

Appearances are deceiving.

1 Samuel 16:7 “The Lord doesn’t see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

Matthew 15:8-9 Jesus said, “These people honor Me with their lips, but their hearts are far from Me. Their

worship is a farce, for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God.”

Psalm 73:25-26 “Whom have I in heaven but You? I desire You more than anything on earth. My health may fail, and my spirit may grow weak, but God remains the strength of my heart; He is mine forever.”

Final Exam Question: Are you just putting in an appearance or are you passionately pursuing God’s presence and His purposes?

Philippians 3:10-14 “I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised Him from the dead. I press on to possess that

perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.”

**Pass the Test: “I am driven
to pursue Jesus.”**

3. The Test of CHARACTER.

Judges 7:4-8 “But the Lord told Gideon, ‘There are still too many! Bring them down to the spring, and I will test them to determine who will go with you and who will not.’ When Gideon took his warriors down to the water, the Lord told him, ‘Divide the men into two groups. In one group put all those who cup water in their hands and lap it up with their tongues like dogs. In the other group put all those who kneel down and drink with their mouths in the stream.’ Only 300 of the men drank from their hands. All the others got down on their knees and drank with their mouths in the stream. The Lord told Gideon, ‘With these 300 men I will rescue you and give you victory over the Midianites.

Send all the others home.’ So Gideon collected the provisions and rams’ horns of the other warriors and sent them home. But he kept the 300 men with him.”

James 1:15 “Your desire grows inside you until it results in sin. Then the sin grows bigger and bigger and finally ends in death.”

**Sin makes a promise that
sin can't keep.**

When sin wins, you lose.

Romans 6:23 “The wages of sin is death.”

Final Exam Question: Are you easily distracted by your appetites or are you diligently developing Christ-like character?

1 John 2:15-17 “Don’t love this evil world or the things in it. If you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. This is all there is in the world: wanting to please our sinful selves, wanting the sinful things we see, and being too proud of what we have. But none of these comes from the Father. They come from the world. **The world is passing away, and all the things that people want in the world are passing away. But whoever does what God wants will live forever.**”

**Pass the Test: “I am determined to
become like Jesus.”**

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