

The Reality Choice

Life's Healing Choices: The Beatitudes - Part 1

*"I don't understand what I do. For what I want to do I don't do, but what I hate to do, I do!
...I know that nothing good lives in my sinful nature. I have the desire to do what is good,
but I cannot carry it out."*

Rom. 7:15+18 (NIV)

**Stress
Fears
My overwork
Attractions
Addiction
Regrets**

**Diet
Worry
Bad habits
Anger
Dishonesty
Need to control**

**Finances
Relationships
Painful memories
Perfectionism
Resentment
Compulsive thoughts**

THE CAUSE: _____

*"In the pride of your heart you say, 'I am a god...' But you are just a man and
not a god, though you think you are as wise as a god."*

Ezekiel 28:2 (NIV)

1st CHOICE:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Matt. 5:3 (NIV)

**I ADMIT I need help; that I'm powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and
that my life is unmanageable.**

1. _____

"God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

James 4:6 (NIV)

*"You will never succeed in life if you try to hide your sins. Confess them and give them up; then God will show
mercy to you."*

Pr. 28:13 (TEV)

2. _____

“We saw how powerless we were to help ourselves; but that was good, for then we put everything into the hands of God, who alone could save us, for he can even raise the dead.”

2 Cor. 1:9 (LB)

“You’re blessed when you’re at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule.”

Matt. 5:3 (MSG)

3. _____

“Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!”

Ecc. 4:9-10 (NIV)

“Admit your faults to one another and pray for each other so that you may be healed.”

James 5:16 (LB)

GROUND RULES

“When we were unable to help ourselves, at the moment of our need, Christ died for us...”

Rom. 5:6 (NCV)