

- I. ONE THING—The One Thing that I'd like to take away from today's class and believe God to accomplish in my life is:

II. APPLICATION AIDS

- A. Lesson Review: Take some time to go over your class notes from Tuesday. Write out the main ideas and your personal applications for each section of the message. Look up the scriptures referenced on the outline and write out the ones that are particularly meaningful to you. Ask God to make your One Thing a reality in your life this week.
- B. Strategies: Implement the following tactics to gain the Victory Over Self-Righteousness.
1. Rejoice—Celebrate the righteousness that Jesus has already accomplished on your behalf:
    - Utilize the Tool & Technique: Embracing Our Righteousness to help you identify where you need strengthening and for specific Scriptures to apply.
    - Declare the truth every time you feel shaky or insecure in your relationship with God:
      - Rom 10:10 MSG-- With your whole being you embrace God setting things right, and then you say it, right out loud: "God has set everything right between him and me!"
      - Rom 3:24 GNT-- But by the free gift of God's grace all are put right with him through Christ Jesus, who sets them free.
    - Exercise faith in the finished work of Jesus by all the means at your disposal. Study, sing, meditate on or memorize Scriptures that address your particular struggles with Self-Righteousness. Continue to do so until each issue becomes settled in your heart.
    - Insights and observations:

2. Re-Focus—Righteousness is a spiritual reality. We must change our focus in order to fully benefit from the truth of our righteousness in Christ:
  - Beware whenever your attention shifts from internals to externals.
  - Examine what is driving your actions. Is your motivation fear or faith?
  - Battle the Fear of Man which is a trap of the enemy. Use the Tools & Techniques: Dismantling the Fear of Man to help you be victorious.
  - Gain freedom from works and rule keeping mindsets. Remember that these distance you from a grace-based relationship with God. Study the handout Tools & Techniques: Liberation to assist you in this process.
  - Insights and observations:
  
3. Cease Striving—Draw from the River of Living Water, depending upon the Spirit of God that inhabits your inmost being:
  - Pray, calling upon the name of the Lord. Appropriate the truth that you can trust Him to be your righteousness: Jer 23:6 NLT-- And this is his name: 'The Lord Is Our Righteousness.'
  - Be still and open your ears to receive God's wisdom as you come to His Word: Is 50:4 NAS-- The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples, that I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. He awakens me morning by morning, He awakens my ear to listen as a disciple.
  - Count on the Holy Spirit to enable you to respond with true righteousness which is obedience that flows from a heart of love and worship: Ps 40:6 AMP—Sacrifice and offering You do not desire, nor have You delight in them; You have given me the capacity to hear and obey
  - Insights and observations: