Detoured From Our JWJ July 17, 2016

Prodigal Son - Luke 15:11-32 Prophet Elijah Flees to Horeb – 1 Kings 19:1-18

Martha Worried and Distracted - Luke 10:39-41 Peter's Denial John 18:15-27

Detour ______to Guide Us Back to our JWJ

1. Count your _____

Psalm 103:2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Psalm 118:1 Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

2. _____ for help

Psalms 40:12-13 For evils beyond number have surrounded me; My iniquities have overtaken me, so that I am not able to see; They are more numerous than the hairs of my head, And my heart has failed me. Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me; Make haste, O LORD, to help me.

1 Peter 3:12 For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

3. Remember we have an _____

1 Peter 5:8 Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

Romans 12:21 Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil with good.

James 4:7 Resist the devil and he will flee from you, draw near to God and he will draw near to you.

4. Find your _____

Psalm 8:1-4 O Lord, our Lord, How majestic is Your name in all the earth, Who have displayed Your splendor above the heavens! From the mouth of infants and nursing babes You have established strength Because of Your adversaries, To make the enemy and the revengeful cease. When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained; What is man that You take thought of him, And the son of man that You care for him?

5. _____ and _____ yourself of truth

John 17:17 Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

Psalm 19:7 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;

6. _____, ____ and _____ in Jesus

Matt 9:9 As Jesus went on from there, He saw a man called Matthew, sitting in the tax collector's booth; and He said to him, "Follow Me!" And he got up and followed Him.

Matthew 6:33 But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

John 15:4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

Take Away:

- 1. We all ______ from time to time
- 2. Our BGG is in the _____ business and He loves us
- 3. We can choose ______ to take steps toward God, on a JWJ...what will you choose?