

restore the ground that the enemy has taken through the experience. (Psalms 23:3). 5. Next, take legal authority over the powers of darkness, then bind them, and cast them out in the name of Jesus. (Mark 16:17). 6. Ask the Holy Spirit to validate your freedom. (Romans 8:16). 7. If you are not free, ask the Holy Spirit, "What is connected to the bondage?" 8. If you are free and the wound has been cleansed, then ask the Lord to take away any hardness in your heart and to give you a new tender heart. (Ezekiel 36:26). 9. Finally, ask the Lord how you can bless your offenders and see God work in their lives. Remember, God can take the garbage and make a treasure out of it. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28). 10. You can now transfer the new treasure into your treasure chest. The way we do that is to begin to thank God for everything that happens in our lives. "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (I Thessalonians 5:18).

The orange balloon, with the string, represents our visions and our dreams. Without a vision we perish. "Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he" (Proverbs 29:18). First, we also should make sure that the vision or dream is from the Lord. Second, there

is a time to hold on to the string and a time to let go. Third, usually God births a vision in us. There is often a delay in it. This is often followed by self efforts to fulfill it. This is then followed by a failure to fulfill it. Next, there is a death of the vision or dream. If we trust in God, there is a supernatural resurrection and a supernatural fulfillment. Fourth, if we don't have a vision, we can ask God for one. "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not" (Jeremiah 33:3). Fifth, God has a good plan for each of us. "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end" (Jeremiah 29:11).

The chimney represents the fireplace which we don't see in the graphic. The fireplace could be a picture of comfort of the Holy Spirit. "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you" (John 14:16-18). If you haven't experienced the comfort of a fireplace, You can ask God for the Holy Spirit. (Luke 11:13).

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Before you read any more of this pamphlet, stop for a minute or so and see how many items that you can see within the picture frame.

Jesus describes us as being like a house on several different occasions. Here is an example. "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it" (Matthew 7:24-27). The house, as illustrated, is also built upon a solid rock. There is only one true foundation

and that is Jesus. "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (I Corinthians 3:11). Jesus said that any other foundation is unstable. When an individual gives his life to Jesus as his Lord, God lays the foundation of Jesus and the individual should begin to build his life upon Jesus, the solid rock.

One of the first things that you may notice is the thundercloud, with the lightening, the rain, and the wind. The reality is that storms will come against us in our lives. "Then said he unto the disciples, It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!" (Luke 17:1). People will offend us, some not meaning to do so and some will do it on purpose. The devil will often use those who are the closest to us to bring offense against us. Jesus also said, "These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33).

The roof of the house represents our body and physical health. The four walls are to **support** the roof (the body). 1. A balance of good nutrition (unrefined foods, hydration, and sunshine). 2. A balance of exercise, rest, and sleep. 3. An environment that inhabitable (free from excesses of stress on the mind and body). 4. A peace with relations God, other people, and self. If one or more of the walls

collapses, the roof (our health) may also be in danger of falling. "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth" (III John 1:2).

You may also note that there is a door and two windows. The door is to keep the enemy out, but let the love of God in. "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ" (II Corinthians 10:5). The windows are like our eyes to let light in and allow others to see Christ in us. "The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness" (Luke 11:34).

In the illustration, the basement of the house is built upon the foundation of Jesus. "He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock" (Luke 6:48). We also may see that we may have a basement with it being the place where we store our memories. The stairs is our means of recalling the memories to the conscious level. What we consider to be our "bad" memories, we may put into the big black garbage can on the left and our "good" one we may put in our treasure on the right.

The problem is that garbage in the can will stink and produce mold which can effect the whole house. Some people spend all their time and energy trying to hold down the lid on the garbage can, but they just wear themselves out. Others may try dumping their garbage, but that just makes a big stinky mess. After all, it is still their garbage. Some try dumping the garbage on someone else, but just brings more garbage back in return. There are other people who medicate themselves with some addition: drugs, alcohol, sex, entertainment, work, or even ministry. Furthermore, for you to get to the treasure chest, you must walk past the garbage can full of stinking garbage. **Note:** Time does not make the garbage go away, but usually allows for things to become worse. What can we do???

Here is a brief outline. 1. Pray and ask God to show you what is in the garbage can. "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my disquieting (anxious) thoughts: And see if there be any way of pain in me, and lead me in the way everlasting" (Psalm 139:23-24. (A literal translation). 2. Walk through forgiving those who have offended you and put their judgment in the Father's hands and also ask the Father to forgive them for their offense toward you. (Matthew 6:14). 3. Ask God to forgive and cleanse you of your own offenses including holding unforgiveness toward others, yourself, and even God. (I John 1:9). 4. Ask God to