

# MISFIT

## A MISFIT'S GREATEST CHALLENGE

*“Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it.”<sup>14</sup> “For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it. Matthew 7:13–14*

If you want what \_\_\_\_\_ have than do what \_\_\_\_\_ do. If you want what \_\_\_\_\_ have than you have to do what \_\_\_\_\_ do.

Said another way . . .

If you want what \_\_\_\_\_ people have than do what \_\_\_\_\_ people do. If you want what \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ people have than do what \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ people do.

because it is written, “YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY.” - 1 Peter 1:16

“holy” – *hagios* = pure, set a part or separate, different

### IDENTIFYING THE GREATEST CHALLENGE

- The misfit's greatest challenge is to try and \_\_\_\_\_  
Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts, which wage war against the soul. - 1 Peter 2:11

Dear friends, I warn you as “temporary residents and foreigners” to keep away from worldly desires that wage war against your very souls. - 1 Peter 2:11 (NLT)

- There's nothing more pathetic than when a misfit tries to \_\_\_\_\_

### IDENTIFYING THE SOURCE OF THE GREATEST CHALLENGE

- Misfits Try To Fit Because Of \_\_\_\_\_

- Fear of what others \_\_\_\_\_

The fear of man brings a snare, But he who trusts in the LORD will be exalted. - Proverbs 29:25

“snare” – *môqêsh* = a noose for catching animals; a hook for the nose

- **Fear of what others might** \_\_\_\_\_

"Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup> "Blessed are you when *people* insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. <sup>12</sup> "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. - Matthew 5:10–12

- **Fear of** \_\_\_\_\_

"For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make *one* wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. - Genesis 3:5–6

- **Fear of** \_\_\_\_\_

For a righteous man falls seven times, and rises again, But the wicked stumble in *time of* calamity. - Proverbs 24:16

## IDENTIFYING THE SOLUTION TO THE GREATEST CHALLENGE

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. - 1 John 4:18

**The deeper our \_\_\_\_\_ grows for Jesus the less we will be tempted to \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_.**