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**Words to Find:**  
 adultery  
 compromise  
 covetousness  
 deceit  
 denying Christ  
 disobedience  
 drunkenness  
 hatred  
 hypocrisy  
 idolatry  
 incest  
 jealousy  
 lying  
 murder  
 murmuring  
 prayerlessness  
 pride  
 rape  
 rebellion  
 sodomy  
 witchcraft

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### One by One

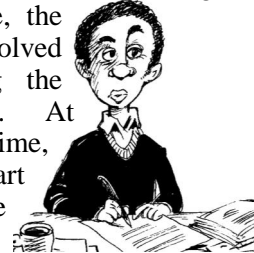
Barbara Brinkworth

Most people who are overweight would love to lose the extra pounds. Unfortunately, most of them do not do it. One of the reasons for that is that they have an “all or nothing” attitude. They alternately starve themselves and go on eating binges; while the only thing they lose is their temper and perhaps, their sanity. The fact is that the extra weight came on one pound at a time; and that is, most likely, the only way it will leave.

Backsliding can be compared to weight gain/loss. A Christian does not backslide overnight.

One by one, the person involved stops doing the right things. At the same time, he may start doing the wrong things. One morning, he wakes up and realizes he is farther away from God than he ever could have imagined he would be.

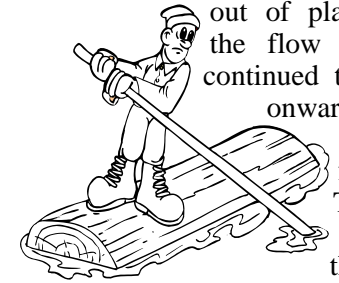
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### The Log Jam

To-day

In the timberlands, springtimes saw great quantities of logs shooting down the rivers on their way to the sawmills. Sometimes a jam occurred. The lumberjack then sought the log which stopped the wooden tide from moving. When he found that key log, he jerked it out of place, and the flow of logs continued to move onward with its freight.



There is such a thing as a spiritual logjam. We lose our religious enthusiasm and interest in personal devotions. An hour in the Lord’s house becomes a bore, and the Bible becomes a silent Book. Then we must find the key sin-log that is stopping the flood of spiritual life. It may be an unforgiving spirit, jealousy, or hypocrisy. Whatever it is, jerk the obstruction out of place, and spiritual vitality will surge onward again.

### Parable from a Plane

C. E. Macartney

Between an airplane and every other form of locomotion and transportation, there is one great contrast. The horse and wagon, the automobile, the bicycle, the locomotive, the speedboat, and the great battleship all can come to a standstill without danger. They can all reverse their engines, or their power, and go backwards.

But, there is no reverse about the engine of an airplane. It cannot back up. It dare not stand still. If it loses its momentum and forward drive, it crashes. The only safety for the airplane is in its forward and upward motion.

The only safe direction for the Christian to take is forward and upward. If he stops, or if he begins to slip and go backward, that moment he is in danger.

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Once he realizes that he has distanced himself from God, he will hopefully have a desire to get things right with the Lord. That would be great! It is definitely the right place to begin; but he had better beware of an “all or nothing” attitude. A Christian who wants to turn back to God will have to get there the same way he left — one step at a time. He will have to begin to do the right things that he had neglected: prayer, Bible reading, church attendance — to name a few. *“And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.” II Peter 1:5-7* As he adds each one back into his life, he will have to be extra diligent until each becomes habitual again.

It has been said that a task must be done 21 days consecutively in order to become a habit. My theory is that spiritual habits take even longer to estab-

**“If you don’t walk with God, you’re walking in the wrong direction.”**

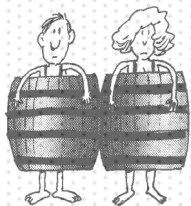


lish, because the Christian is battling the world, the flesh, and the devil.

In addition to adding the right things back into his life, the backslider will also have to subtract or let go of the wrong things. *“Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,” Hebrews 12:1* Once again, an “all or nothing” attitude will not bring success. Each sin or “weight” will have to be dealt with one by one. As each is put away, diligence will again be required to insure that it remains in the past.

All in all, it will take a great deal of character, strength and grace to get back to the place of consistent obedience. If you are that backslider on your way back to God, do not give up hope. King David said in Psalms 119:67, *“Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.”* Once you are obeying the Spirit again, you will have the wisdom to know how to make one good decision after another. You, too, will be able to say, “I have kept thy word.”

**When many reach the bottom of their “barrel”,**



**they, hopefully, will look up for help!**

**Be careful, anyone can slide spiritually away from God, “From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?” — John 6:66-67**

## Symptoms

*Gospel Herald*

“The symptoms of spiritual decline,” says Dr. Payson, “are like those which attend the decline of bodily health. It generally commences with the loss of spiritual appetite, and a disrelish for wholesome spiritual food: prayer, reading the Scriptures and devotional books. Whenever you perceive these symptoms be alarmed! Your spiritual health is in danger. Apply immediately to the Great Physician for a cure.”

## Or Would I?

*Harry Todd*

*If I had been Adam  
When temptation was nigh  
To disobey God’s command,  
I would have obeyed, or would I?*

*If I had been Lot,  
From wickedness I would shy,  
I’d have never pitched my tent,  
Toward Sodom, or would I?*

*If I had been Cain,  
To God I would not lie,*

*I’d bring the proper sacrifice  
To please God, or would I?*

*If I had been Jonah,  
When sent to Nineveh to cry,  
I would not have run away,  
Or tarried, or would I?*

*If I had been Peter,  
On me God could rely,  
I would not have denied the Saviour,  
Or forsook Him, or would I?*

*If I had been Demas,  
Why, I’d rather die  
Than to love this present world,  
And forsake God’s work, or  
would I?*

*If I had been the rich young ruler,  
There would be no reason why  
I wouldn’t sell all to follow Christ,  
I’d give Him my all, or would I?*

## Vanishing Dinosaurs

*Author Unknown*

Scientists have shown that the moon is moving away at a tiny, although measurable distance from the earth every year. If you do the math, you can calculate that 85 million years ago the moon was orbiting the earth at a distance of about 35 feet from the earth’s surface. This would explain the death of the dinosaurs. The tallest ones, anyway. :>)

