## God offers deliverance from a yo-yo unstable lifestyle of many Christians

A clear example of God's people or a person whose life is not consistently right with Him

- Ps 107:4-6 They (as if already born again) wandered in the wilderness and could not find their way to (God's spiritual) city to live (permanently) in...Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, And He delivered them out of their distress.
- 11-13 Then they rebelled against the words of God, and despised His counsel...
  Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, And He rescued them.
- 17-20 Some were fools, suffering because of their sins...Then in their trouble they called to the Lord, and He delivered them. He sent His word and healed them;
- Oh, that Christians would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the human race (so that God can silence their enemies).

Why do we go astray? Our hearts have stones and believe thoughts from spirits or people

- Mark 4:16-17 Paraphrase (Jesus) These are seeds sown in stony hearts (we still resist God in some areas). Christians who hear God's word and receive it with joy, but God's word can't take deep root in our hearts because of the stones. So when trouble touches us, its goal is that word, we get offended and the word withers.
- 18-19 These are the seeds sown among thorns; Christians who hear the word, then worry thoughts, money thoughts, and I've gotta have it thoughts, are acted on and enter our hearts, and these thoughts choke the word of God and ruin it.

It really matters who we hang out with and listen to, it determines the course of our lives

- Mat 13:24-25 The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field (believers), as people slept, his enemy sowed tares (unbelievers) among the wheat;
- Prov 13:20 The one who walks with wise (God loving) people will be wise, But the companion of fools (whose thoughts do not center on God) will be destroyed.
- Ps 119:63 I am a companion of all who fear (love) You, those who keep Your words.

God's sure way of recovery, receive His words and His Spirit, and live in the victory of faith

Jer 15:19 (God) If you return to Me, I will restore you so that you can serve Me again;

Jer 4:3 ...Plow up your hard hearts; and do not sow good seed among thorns. TLB/NIV

Jam 1:21 ...Receive with a tender heart the Word of God which implanted and rooted AMP in your hearts has the power to save your souls (your will from still resisting Me).

Ezek 36:27 I will put My Holy Spirit within you and cause you to...obey My words;

Eph 6:16 ...Faith (toward Me, imparted to you from My words and Spirit) will overcome every wrong thought (from spirits or people, and keep you in fellowship with Me).