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## Practical Faith Pt. 12: Wandering

Proverbs 27:17

*17As iron sharpens iron,  
so a friend sharpens a friend.*

James 5:19-20

*19My dear brothers and sisters, if someone among you wanders away from the truth and is brought back, 20you can be sure that whoever brings the sinner back will save that person from death and bring about the forgiveness of many sins.*

### I. Wandering leads to \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 13:18-23:

*18“Now listen to the explanation of the parable about the farmer planting seeds: 19The seed that fell on the footpath represents those who hear the message about the Kingdom and don’t understand it. Then the evil one comes and snatches away the seed that was planted in their hearts. 20The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy. 21But since they don’t have deep roots, they don’t last long. They fall away as soon as they have problems or are persecuted for believing God’s word. 22The seed that fell among the thorns represents those who hear God’s word, but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the worries of this life and the lure of wealth, so no fruit is produced. 23The seed that fell on good soil represents those who truly hear and understand God’s word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!”*

James 1:15

*15These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.*

### II. Restoring \_\_\_\_\_ believers

A. \_\_\_\_\_

Serving God, Serving Families, Serving our Community

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

### III. How to \_\_\_\_\_ wandering

John 15:5

*1“I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. 2He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn’t produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. 3You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. 4Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.*

*5“Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing. 6Anyone who does not remain in me is thrown away like a useless branch and withers. Such branches are gathered into a pile to be burned.*

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 10:24-25

*24Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. 25And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.*

C. \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 28:18-20

Ephesians 6:10-12

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