

Get Out... Of The Way Get Out #8 Gary Chappel - July 17, 2016

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### How can I be in Jesus' way?

The seeds that fell among the thorns represent those who hear the message, but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the cares and riches and pleasures of this life. And so they never grow into maturity. Luke 8:14 (NLT)

...but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the worries of this life, the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things, so no fruit is produced. Mark 4:19 (NLT)

- » <u>Worrying</u>.
- » Getting ahead financially.
- » <u>Having a good time</u>.
- » <u>Desires</u>.

For ME it's... »

How do I get out of Jesus' way?

# 1. <u>Stop</u> & <u>Examine</u> My <u>Direction</u>.

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But if we had been examining ourselves, we would not come<br/>under judgment.1 Corinthians 11:31 (MOUNCE)

Examine yourselves to see whether you are living in faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you? — unless, of course, you fail the test.

2 Corinthians 13:5 (NABRE)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. **Romans 8:28-29 (NIV)** 

## 2. Get Real with God.

Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." Matthew 16:22 (NABRE)

- <sup>1</sup> O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me.
- <sup>2</sup> You know when I sit down or stand up.
  You know my thoughts even when I'm far away.
- <sup>23</sup> Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.
- <sup>24</sup> Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.

### Psalms 139:1-2, 23-24 (NLT)

### 3. Expect Jesus to Respond.

He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Matthew 16:23 (NABRE)

Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? <sup>8</sup> If you are not disciplined – and everyone undergoes discipline – then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. Hebrews 12:7-8 (NIV)