



1. WHEN WE BEGIN SLIPPING IN SELF-DISCIPLINE, WE USUALLY END UP MAKING **WRONG DECISIONS.**

Galatians 6:7-8 “Don’t be misled. Remember that you can’t ignore God and get away with it. You will always reap what you sow! 8 Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful desires will harvest the consequences of decay and death.” (NLT)

A. How do we step over the line and invite God’s discipline?

1. Through **ARROGANCE**.

James 4:14 “...What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.”

2. Through forgetting that God is **GOD**.
(Daniel 5:23)

1 Samuel 2:6-10 “The LORD brings death and

makes alive; he brings down to the grave and raises up. The LORD sends poverty and wealth; he humbles and he exalts. He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; he seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor. For the foundations of the earth are the LORD’s; upon them he has set the world. He will guard the feet of his saints, but the wicked will be silenced in darkness. It is not by strength that one prevails; those who oppose the LORD will be shattered.”

Psalms 75:6-7 “For promotion come neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south, but God is the judge: He puts down one and sets up another.”

3. Through serving **OTHER GODS** in our life. (Daniel 5:4)

Exodus 20:3 “Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”

4. Through **PROFANING** God with words or actions.

- a. The word “**PROFANE**” means “to mark something with contempt or to have an irreverence toward something that is sacred; to use something in an unworthy, degrading or abusive way.”

2. WHEN GOD **DISCIPLINES HE HAS HIS WAYS OF GETTING OUR ATTENTION. (Daniel 5:5-9)**

Romans 2:4-8 *“Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God’s kindness leads you toward repentance? But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God’s wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. God ‘will give to each person according to what he has done.’ To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger.”*

John 5:24 *“Verily, verily I say to you, He that hears my words and believes on Him that sent has everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation but is passed from death unto life.”*

