



Rising Above Cynicism

I. We Must Recognize the Need for:

- A. Accepting _____ - 1 John 5:19;
2 Tim 3:1-8; Eccl. 1:2ff
- B. Legitimate _____ - Mat. 18:15-17;
Acts 7:51-53; 2 Tim 4:2-5; Eph 4:15
- C. _____ righteously - John 7:24;
Mat 7:1-4; Col. 3:12-15
- D. _____ truth from error -
Hebrews 5:12-14

II. We Must Recognize the Danger

- A. Cynicism is, _____, the
_____ spirit of our _____.
- B. Cynicism is a _____,
_____ attitude towards others.

III. Bible Examples.

- A. Numbers 13, 14 - _____
 - 1. 13:31 - _____
 - 2. 13:3- - _____
- B. Judges 7 - _____
 - 1. 7:3 - _____
 - 2. 7:15ff - _____
- C. 1 Samuel 13, 14 - _____
 - 1. 13:7 - _____
 - 2. 14:6 - _____
- D. 1 Samuel 17 - _____
 - 1. 17:11, 24, 33 - _____
 - 2. 17:32, 37, 45 - _____

IV. We Must Recognize the Cause

- A. The _____ - Rev. 12:10; Job 1:9ff
- B. A lack of _____ in God - Ex 16:2;

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- C. A lack of _____ in God's _____ -
Rom 1:16,17; Isa. 55:11; 1 Cor 3:6
- D. _____ - Pro 13:10; 21:24; Jam 4:11
- E. Self _____ - Mat. 23:30
- F. _____ - 1 Cor. 3:1-4; Gal. 5:15
- G. Lack of _____ & _____ -
1 Cor. 13:4-7; (unforgiveness,
bitterness, negativity)
- H. _____ - Mark 2:25;
- I. _____ Expectations - Mt 23:4
- J. _____, unfaithful & _____
men - (both professed believers &
professed unbelievers) - Rom 2:24;
1 Cor 15:33

V. We Must Recognize the Fruit

- A. We can easily become _____
and stop _____ - Heb 12:3;
5:12-14
- B. We can easily become _____
and stop _____ fruit -
Mat 25:14-30
- C. We can easily become _____
and _____ others -
Num. 13:31; 14:1-4

V. We Are Most Immune When We:

- A. FOCUS ON _____ - His suffering,
sacrifice & _____
- Heb 12:2-5
- B. KNOW WE CAN _____ by faith -
Heb 12:1; 11:1-40
- C. PURIFY _____ - examine
SELF NOT others - Heb 12:1;
2 Cor 13:5
- D. _____ TO THE WORK - get busy
- make a _____ -Heb12:12