

### SLOTH: "MAYBE TOMORROW" THE DANGER OF PASSIVITY

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**The word, "sloth,"** comes from the Greek word for "carelessness." That's exactly what it is: not caring.

**Ephesians 5:15-16** Pay careful attention, then, to how you walk–not as unwise people but as wise–making the most of the time, because the days are evil.

The Parable of the Talents: Matthew 25:14-20

Proverbs 26:13-15 Proverbs 24:30-34

**Sloth Traps** 

Activity does not mean a lack of sloth or apathy!

### Antidote: Caring and action-steps of faith-not busyness

Fighting sloth requires effort. As D. A. Carson writes, "No one drifts toward holiness." Remember that grace is not opposed to <u>effort</u> but to <u>earning</u>.

As a believer, what steps of effort or spiritual disciplines do you need to take to live a victorious Christian life?

Philippians 3:12-14 Paul kept "pressing on."



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Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it.

Philippians 3:12-13

But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

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