



## I. INTRO

A. One – A series about priorities

**Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV) <sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;  
<sup>6</sup> In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths**

- To trust the Lord means that God is smarter than you are ... in EVERYTHING
- B. This is a battle for your heart
- Putting God first is a heart issue
  - Priority #2 Make what you think about and talk about a priority
  - Priority #3 24/7/365 invest in your future by building on a solid rock
- C. Two questions that we've been asking
- How many want to have a great 2018
  - What does a great 2018 look like

**If you don't know where you're going – any road will take you there**

## II. WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

A. Why is staying on track so hard?

- B. There is a current in life
- We may not be aware of it but we've all experienced it

**Ephesians 2:1-2 (NKJV) And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins, <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,**

- C. There is a current in life and after a while we tend to drift with it
- Rarely do we drift in a good direction



### III. AVOIDING THE DRIFT

A. Don't turn away from God

**Hebrews 3:12 (NIV) <sup>12</sup> See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God.**

- Not a giant step away but more of a gradual drift over time and end up far away

B. Drifting is a **heart issue** because it's on the inside

- The heart that turns away from God is something that happens IN US

C. The solution to the drift is in the verse

**Hebrews 3:13(NIV) <sup>13</sup> But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.**

**Encourage – To appeal to, exhort, urge strongly, beg, implore, entreat.**

D. There's a deeper problem in you – the deceitfulness of sin

- Sin can deceive us
- Sin has no authority or power over you. It needs your permission, so it sets out to deceive you
- What do you tell yourself when you're all alone?

### IV. AVOIDING THE DRIFT

A. The answer is in the verse

**Hebrews 3:12 (NIV) <sup>12</sup> See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God.**

- Find a circle to be in

B. Since the drift happens within – you'd be wise to let someone in

- The row doesn't know
  - **Small groups**
  - **The dream team**