

Bad Habits

That Keep Us Poor
and

Separate Us from God

HABITS

Definition

- A fixed way of thinking, willing, or feeling acquired through previous repetition of a mental experience
- Almost automatic behavior with no self-analysis
- Approximately 43% of daily behaviors are performed out of habit

Habits can be good.

Scheduling
Planning
Saving
Exercise
Self-Control



Or bad.

As Christians, we strive to be more like Christ—and less like the old man of sin (Eph. 4:22-24).

Examine list of “Bad Habits that Keep You Poor” & identify how same habits separate us from God.

Identify Bad Habits

So that we can change them...

A person wearing a blue raincoat and a black hat is lying face down on a sandy beach. The person's head is buried in the sand, and their arms are tucked under their head. The background shows the texture of the sand and some distant waves.

BAD HABITS THAT KEEP YOU POOR

IGNORING THE SITUATION

A man and a woman are shown from the chest up, looking down at stacks of US dollar bills they are holding. The man is on the left, wearing a light-colored striped shirt. The woman is on the right, wearing a light blue blazer over a dark top. They appear to be in a professional or office setting. The background is slightly blurred, showing what might be a framed picture on a wall.

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MISTEACHING OF MONEY MANAGEMENT

A blurred background image of a man with glasses reading a book. The man is wearing a dark suit jacket and a light-colored shirt. The book he is reading has a red cover. The overall image has a soft, out-of-focus quality.

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NOT SHARPENING YOUR MIND

A man in a blue suit is shown from the chest up, looking slightly to the right with a thoughtful expression. The background is blurred, suggesting an indoor setting with warm lighting. Overlaid on the image is a red horizontal bar containing the text "BAD HABITS THAT KEEP YOU POOR". Below this, the main title "DEPENDING ON WILL POWER" is written in large, bold, white capital letters. A second red horizontal bar is positioned below the main title. In the bottom right corner, there is a small black square and a white square containing the number "9".

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DEPENDING ON WILL POWER

A top-down view of a person's hands counting a stack of cash on a desk. The desk also holds a calculator, a pen, and two iPhone boxes. The scene is dimly lit with a blue tint. A red horizontal bar is positioned above the main title.

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JUSTIFYING EXPENSES





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NOT MEASURING YOUR PROGRESS



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PRESENT BIAS

Steps to Breaking a Bad Habit

- Identify issue & pray in advance – Rom 7:19-25
- Think about habit & consider consequences
- Pray for strength in the moment – 2 Cor. 12:10
- Replace bad habit with healthy alternative
- Tell a friend

