

How To Be a Better Broken Person

Mysteries in the Gospel of John Season 10

Core Message: In a world deeply broken by sin and filled with hurting people, believers must learn to live above the wounds inflicted by others. Rabbi Schneider reminds us that even Jesus was falsely accused and mistreated, yet He remained unshaken in His identity and purpose. This teaching encourages us to recognize that others' negative behavior often stems from their own inner brokenness, not from our shortcomings. By understanding this truth, we can develop spiritual resilience and extend love even in the face of rejection or insult.

Main Bible Verses (NASB):

- **Core Memory Verse: (John 10:19-20) "A division occurred again among the Jews because of these words. Many of them were saying, 'He has a demon and is insane. Why do you listen to Him?'"**
 - John 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning..."
 - John 10:22-30 "'At that time the Feast of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem; it was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple in the portico of Solomon.' ... 'I and the Father are one.'"
 - Deuteronomy 6:4 "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God; the Lord is one!"
 - Genesis 1:26 "Then God said, 'Let Us make mankind in Our image, according to Our likeness...'"
 - Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not be terrified nor dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."
 - Romans 12:21 "Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil with good."
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Key Points (Fill-in-the-Blank):

"Sometimes people will mistreat you and me, and they'll think that they're doing the _____ thing by mistreating us."

"When someone treats us wrongly because they're messed up, we shouldn't let the evil that's coming out of them towards us get _____ us."

"Satan gets into our lives, to people's lives through their _____."

"God wants there to be a _____ around our heart."

"Let us make man in _____ image."

"Jesus has always been in the bosom of the _____."

"The Bible says don't be overcome with evil but overcome evil with _____."

Notes:

(Use lines below for personal notes)

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Reflection Questions:

1. When someone treats you unfairly, do you automatically internalize it? How can you begin to develop a “spiritual buffer” as Rabbi described?

2. Reflect on John 10:30, where Jesus says, “I and the Father are one.” What does this reveal about Jesus? What does it reveal about God’s love for you?

3. Are there areas in your life where you’ve unknowingly allowed fear to control your decisions? What might change in your life if you stopped submitting to fear?

4. What can you say to fear when fear threatens to weaken and defeat you?

5. Rabbi taught that “hurting people hurt people.” How can understanding this help you love others more like Jesus?

Application Challenge of the Week:

When someone treats you rudely this week, pause and silently remind yourself: “This may be about their brokenness, not mine.” Choose to respond with gentleness and prayer instead of offense.

(Or come up with your own as the Lord leads):

Prayer Prompts:

- * Ask God to help you see people through the lens of His compassion and grace.
- * Invite the Holy Spirit to protect your heart from internalizing hurtful words.
- * Thank Jesus for being your Good Shepherd, even in the midst of a broken world.

Resources	Where to find it
Books by Rabbi K. A. Schneider	
<i>Do Not Be Afraid;</i>	https://discoveringthejewishjesus.com/do-not-be-afraid-book/
<u>Self Deliverance</u>	https://discoveringthejewishjesus.com/self-deliverance-book/

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord cause His face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His face to you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:22-27 (