

Discovering Gravity
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Introduction: From 538 B.C. to 520 B.C. no p_____ was made in the rebuilding of the temple at Jerusalem. (Haggai 1:3-6)

The temple lay in ruins since 587 B.C.

Problem 1: We think i_____ alone will transform us. It won't.

Problem 2: We think i_____ will transform us. It won't last.

Promise: Jesus says, i_____ i_____ with Him will transform our lives. It will! (2 Corinthians 3:16-17)



Life won't work like it is intended unless we are in right relationship with God!

I. Isaac Newton: helped us understand that a force you cannot see can have great effect on your life and no one is exempt.

G_____ in the right amount is a good gift of God.

However, a 150 pound man on Earth would weigh ___ on Jupiter.

As gravity exists in the natural world,

financial gravity exists in the economic world. - Tom Berlin

The problem with financial gravity is when it feels too h_____.

God provides us with everything we n_____
but all of us have w_____.

II. The Challenge of the Will (Chooser/Picker/Self)

It is w_____! (Matthew 19:20-22) Yet, we must c_____.

It is not that he did not understand. He grieves because he d_____!

Kingdom of Self

Wounded

Grudges

Envy

Strife

Contempt

Bitterness

Exhaustion

Kingdom of God

Healed

Forgiveness

Kindness

Compassion

Love

Mercy

Life

Matthew 19:23-26

III. The Secret to Life Is in Abiding (John 15:4-5, 7-11)

Will_____ness vs. Will_____ness (Mark 1:15, Luke 4:43)

We can fully enter and p_____ in the Kingdom of God!

This is not "gutting it out" but trusting in God's loving g_____.

Action Step: To resist the p_____, we must make a p_____!



Then the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Is it a time for you yourselves to live in your paneled houses, while this house lies in ruins? Now therefore thus says the LORD of hosts: Consider how you have fared. You have sown much, and harvested little; you eat, but you never have enough; you drink, but you never have your fill; you clothe yourselves, but no one is warm; and you that earn wages earn wages to put them into a bag with holes.

Haggai 1:3-6 (NRSV)



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