Series: Faith By Number (9/30/24)

<u>Title</u>: The Fire Did It! Text: (Exo 32:1-4:19-24)

Companion to last weeks "3 Dedications" Dedicating Our Minds to God (Rom 12:1-*2)

How Practical Renewing Works

Introduction: (Exo 32:1-4;19-24) The FIRE DID IT.

Excuse are Universal

Adam Blamed His Wife: Gen 3:11-12 Eve Blamed the serpent: Gen 3:13

Blame their Parents: Jer 31:29-30; Deut 24:16

Blame the government

Blame society

We Must Stop Making Excuses:

You are Free to make choices, (Ecc 11:9)

I. We are responsible for our choices: Rom 14:11-12

We can't Hide it from God: (Is 29:15, Ecc 12:14)

Every Idle Word: (Matt 12:36)

God brings his wrath on disobedience: (Rom 2:5-12)

(Eph 4:22-24)(Rom 6:16-19)

II. Repentence is 180' turn away & Forsaking it.

- 1. <u>Habits must be replaced</u>. (Eph 4:25-28)(Rom 12:1-2)
- 2. Replaced Through God's Word: (Rom 15:4)
- 3. Example: Replace lying with the truth: (Eph 4:15-25)
- 4. Put off old self: (Eph 4:22)
- 5. Renew Your Thinking: (Eph 4:23)
- 6. Then put on the new self: (Eph 4:24)

III. List the Areas you need to change in:

- 1. Find the Scriptures that Deal with them:
- 2. Meditate on the verses you find:

- 3. Pray them back to God: (Heb 4:16)
- 4. Make Your Decisions By Faith: (Psa 32:8)(Heb 11:6)
- 5. <u>Don't Turn Back</u>: (Luke 17:32)(1Jn2:16)(Luke 9:62)
- 6. Recognize that you choose your attitude: (Acts 10:38)

Attitudes of oppression are passed down in families (Rom 5:12)

So instead of making excuses, let's fix it!

Recognize that: Jesus is in the Healing Business

(Acts 10:38)

Recognize that: You are your own biggest problem:

Reap what you sow: (Gal 6:7-9)

Recognize that: The Holy Spirit bears the fruit! (Gal 5:22-23)

Recognize that: The grace of God is sufficient for you! (1 Tim 1:14)

Recognize that: God can enable you! (2 Cor 9:8)

Believe He Can: (Heb 11:6)

Ask for it: (James 4:2)

Grow in grace: (2 Pet 3:18)

Will you Get Specific about what needs to change in you?

Will you Repent of these Habits?

Will you **Renew** your mind through the Scriptures?

Will you <u>Put Off</u> these old habits and <u>Put On</u> the New Man? Or will you play the Victim?