

## **Series: Rebuilding Our Lives by God's Design**

### **Title: Rebuilding From Failure**

**Failure:** (Prov 24:16)

#### **I. He had Sinned:** Judges 16:1-5,

##### **a. He Broke his Nazarite vows:** Judges 13:5

i. (Num 6:1-8)(Judges 14:8-9)

**We judge him sharply for this: (1 Cor 6:9-11)**

**We are all sinners** Rom 3:10,23;

##### **b. Let us Come down off the Bench:**

(Rom 2:1)(Rom 14:4)(James 4:12)

#### **II. His sin had Consequences:** (Judges 16:21)

##### **a. Our Sin has consequences:** (Gal 6:7-8)

b. **He was exposed:** (Num 32:23)

c. **He was mocked:** Jud 16:23-25

#### **III. His hair began to grow:** (Ecc 9:4)

a. **Confession:** (Judges 16:28)(Lk 18:13)

b. **Repentance:** (Judges 16:28)(Is 55:7)

c. **Repents Brings Renewal:** (James 4:7-10)

i. **Justification:** Rom 5:1 "*just-if-I'ed*"

ii. **Forgiveness:** Eph 1:7

iii. **Righteous:** Rom 3:22

iv. **Atonement:** 2 Cor 7:14

b. **He had touched a dead body:**

c. **He had taken women of a strange country:**

d. **He had told them His secret, & they shaved his head:**

e. **Put out his eyes: but his began to grow!**

#### **IV. He was used of the Lord again:** Judges 16:29-30

a. **God wants to do this for you:** (Is 1:18: 43:18-19)

b. **Everybody can do something:**

#### **I. Evidences of Guilt**

1. **Defensiveness:** (Prov 21:2)

2. **Rejection:** (Prov 15:12)

3. **Judging:** (Rom 2:1-3)

4. **Compensation:** (I Sam 15:22)

5. **Compromise:** (Prov 14:14)

6. **Depression:** (Ps 32:1-4)

7. **Breakdowns:** (James 1:8)

8. **Anger:** (Prov 12:16)

9. **Fear:** (Prov 10:24)

#### **II. The Causes of Guilt**

1. **Sins of Youth:** (James 4:6) (Psalm 25:7)

2. **Premarital relations:** (Psalm 51:10)

3. **Marriage against parents wishes:** (Eph 6:1-3)(1 Cor 7:7-9)  
(Phil 4:7)(Col 3:15)(Prov 1:8)

4. **Wrong Attitude About Marriage:**

5. **Wrong attitudes in marriage:** (Gal 5:22-23)

6. **Words that damage and defile:** (James 3:6) (Psalm 19:14).

#### **III. How to Be Free of Guilt**

1. **Humble yourself in genuine repentance:** (James 4:9-10)  
(Prov 13:10)(Phil 2:13)(II Sam 12:14; Titus 2:5) (James  
4:1)(Rom 14:13)(Matt 6:33)

2. **Identify your basic offense**

3. **Relive your offenses through the feelings of those whom  
you have hurt:** (2 Sam 12)

4. **Think through the right wording:** (Luke 15:11-32)

5. **Ask forgiveness of each one whom you have offended**  
(Ps 51:1, 4).

6. **Express gratitude for forgiveness:** (I Jn 3:18)(Prov 18:19)