

Rooted Understanding P4B
THINGS I'VE LEARNED ABOUT PREACHING
FOR LIFE-CHANGE

1. ALL BEHAVIOR IS BASED ON _____.

In other words what you believe effects how you behave. You will only be obedient to God to those things you believe.

What you _____ determines the way you _____,
and what you feel determines the way you _____.

When you know something from God's word, the bible and you don't do it, **it's sin**. Don't fool yourself... it is disobedience... and sometimes because we know we have the knowledge of it then like it's not sin anymore. Why, because I know it...

"Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts."
Proverbs 4:23

Jesus said, *"Out of the mind come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual sins, stealing, lying, and speaking evil of others."* Matthew 15:19 (NCV)

If you've ever asked yourself and you have, "why do I do this... Why do I do what I don't want to do? Because you believe something about that in your mind. Every behavior has a belief behind it...

2. BEHIND EVERY SIN IS A LIE THAT
_____.

I'm believing something false when I do something that is in rebellion towards God, in rebellion towards God's word, the bible.

And at that moment you have been deceived, your mind is warped, and it's because you're believing a lie, that you're sinning. Behind every behavior is a belief and behind every sin is a lie.

At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived (that means I believe a lie) and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures." Titus 3:3 (NIV) How do people get enslaved by passions and pleasures, by believing a lie... and where does that come from well John 8:44 (NLT) tells us "For you are the children of your father the Devil, and you love to do the evil things he does. He... has always hated the truth. There is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies."

3. CHANGE ALWAYS STARTS _____.

It does not start with behavior it always starts in the mind.

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world (that's it's value system), but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. It starts in the mind... Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will."
Romans 12:2 (NIV) Think... Feel... Act

4. TO HELP PEOPLE CHANGE, WE MUST FIRST
CHANGE _____.

Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32 (NIV)

Why set free, because it is the lie that will keep you in bondage. See, the people who are sinning in habitual ways are sinning in those habitual ways because they are believing lies and it's the truth that sets us free.

5. TRYING TO CHANGE PEOPLE'S BEHAVIOR
WITHOUT CHANGING THEIR BELIEFS
_____.

And it's why God's Word Returns Void in many people's life and in many churches. Because there dealing with the symptom, their dealing with the action and never getting to the root of the problems.