

The Messiah's Mission in You

⁹ I have told all your people about your justice. I have not been afraid to speak out, as you, O Lord, well know.

¹⁰ I have not kept the good news of your justice hidden in my heart; I have talked about your faithfulness and saving power. I have told everyone in the great assembly of your unfailing love and faithfulness. (Psalm 40:9-10 NLT)

¹² And It will come about at that time. That I will search Jerusalem with lamps, And I will punish the men Who are stagnant in spirit, Who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good or evil!' ¹³ Their wealth will become plunder And their houses desolate; Yes, they will build houses but not inhabit them, And plant vineyards but not drink their wine. (Zephaniah 1:12-13 NASB)

1. Stagnancy lowers your _____.
"day after day she nagged him until . . . Samson told her his secret." (Judges 16:16-17 NLT)

2. Stagnancy lowers God's standards for you _____.
"Now King Solomon loved many foreign women . . . The LORD had clearly instructed his people not to intermarry with those nations . . . Yet Solomon insisted on loving them anyway . . . And sure enough, they led his heart away from the LORD . . ." (1 Kings 11:1-4 NLT)

3. Stagnancy lowers your _____ and _____.
¹ In the spring, at the time when kings go off to war, David sent Joab out with the king's men and the whole Israelite army. They destroyed the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem. ² One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful, ³ and David sent someone to find out about her. The man said, "She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite." ⁴ Then David sent messengers to get her. She came to him, and he slept with her. (Now she was purifying herself from her monthly uncleanness.) Then she went back home. ⁵ The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, "I am pregnant." (2 Samuel 11:1-5 NIV)

4. Stagnancy lowers our level of _____ expectation.
No, O people, the Lord has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8 NLT)

5. Stagnancy lowers our feeling of _____.
And it shall come to pass at that time That I will search Jerusalem with lamps, And punish the men Who are settled in complacency, Who say in their heart, 'The LORD will not do good, Nor will He do evil. (Zephaniah 1:12 NKJV)

6. Stagnancy _____ our relationship with God
¹⁵ "I know all the things you do, that you are neither hot nor cold. I wish that you were one or the other! ¹⁶ But since you are like lukewarm water, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth! ¹⁷ You say, 'I am rich. I have everything I want. I don't need a thing!' And you don't realize that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked. (Rev 3:15-17 NLT)