

# Stepping Away from Sin

## James 4:5-10

1. When we try to act in our own power, we are destined to \_\_\_\_\_ because we do not have the power to pardon \_\_\_\_\_.

And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38 ESV)

2. When we overshoot our \_\_\_\_\_, we get into unsafe situations and when we undervalue our \_\_\_\_\_, we underappreciate God's creation.

For you formed my inward parts;  
you knitted me together in my mother's womb.  
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works;  
my soul knows it very well. (Psalm 139:13-14 ESV)

3. When we allow our \_\_\_\_\_ to keep us in sin, we are turning away from \_\_\_\_\_.

Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
and your righteousness to the upright of heart!  
Let not the foot of arrogance come upon me,  
nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. (Psalm 36:10-11 ESV)

4. When you stop overestimating your ability to stay out of tempting situations, you end up \_\_\_\_\_ less. Humbling ourselves and exiting harmful contexts allows us to step into \_\_\_\_\_.

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. (1 Corinthians 10:13 ESV)