

OWN IT

Starting Over - Part 2

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Review from Part 1:

- We learn from our mistakes in the areas that matter least.
- We repeat our mistakes in the areas that matter most:

3 Myths

- 1) Experience makes me wiser
- 2) Since I know better, I'll do better
- 3) Time is against me

To make sure next time is better than last time...

- _____ IT

So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

Genesis 1:27-28

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"

He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

Genesis 3:8-13

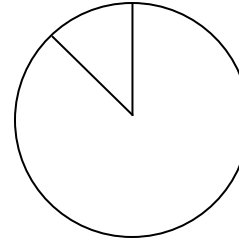
We can't _____ our way into a better future.

Blame sets us up for a _____ performance.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Matthew 5:8

Purity of heart brings _____ of thought.



The Blame Circle

What's in your piece of the pie?

You make peace with your past, by owning your piece of the past.

Getting Started

- *I had a feeling something wasn't right, but I was afraid to dig around—afraid of what I would find.*
- *People I trusted warned me, but I wouldn't listen.*
- *I stayed too long; I enabled.*
- *I was greedy.*
- *I was lonely.*
- *I was jealous . . . of my brother . . . friend . . . boss.*
- *I was afraid.*
- *Lust got the best of me.*
- *My pride got the best of me.*
- *I didn't do my best.*
- *I should have confronted him, but I was afraid.*
- *I should have left, but I was embarrassed.*
- *I kept telling myself I could handle it... but I knew it was handling me.*

**All scriptures from NIV unless otherwise noted*