Loyalty

Forgotten Virtues: Part 3

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is very

difficult to see in the mirror

Peter told Him, "Even if everyone runs away because of You, I will never run away!"

Matthew 26:33

...And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Matthew 26:75

Loyalty is proven not _____

Many a man proclaims his own loyalty, but who can find a trustworthy man? Proverbs 20:6

The king said to Ittai the Gittite, "Why are you also going with us? Go back and stay with the new king since you're both a foreigner and an exile from your homeland. Besides, you only arrived yesterday; should I make you wander around with us today while I go wherever I can? Go back and take your brothers with you. May the Lord show you kindness and faithfulness."

But in response, Ittai vowed to the king, "As the Lord lives and as my lord the king lives, wherever my lord the king is, whether it means life or death, your servant will be there!"

2 Samuel 15:19-21

HOW TO BE DISLOYAL 101

1. Be disloyal to your _____

You cover the Lord's altar with tears, weeping and groaning because He pays no attention to your offerings and doesn't accept them with pleasure. You cry out, "Why doesn't the Lord accept my worship?" I'll tell you why! Because the Lord witnessed the vows you and your wife made when you were young. But you have been unfaithful to her, though she remained your faithful partner, the wife of your marriage vows. Didn't the Lord make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are His. And what does He want? Godly children from your union. So guard your heart; remain loyal to the wife of your youth.

"For I hate divorce!" says the Lord, the God of Israel. "To divorce your wife is to overwhelm her with cruelty," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies. "So guard your heart; do not be unfaithful to your wife."

Malachi 2:13-16 NLT

2. Be disloyal to your _____

A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a difficult time. Proverbs 17:17

3. Be disloyal to Christ's _____

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to the prayers...

Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple complex, and broke bread from house to house.

Acts 2:42,46

All disloyalty is born out of a _____ heart

"This is the most important," Jesus answered... "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength."

Mark 12:29

Come close to God and He will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. Let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy."

James 4:8-9 NLT