

SHARPEN THE POINT

For further study of the message.

Hurts, Habits and Hangups | Part 2

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In week one of the *Hurts, Habits and Hangups* series, we learned that we all have them. Recognition and acceptance of this truth is the beginning. God will meet you wherever you are, but He won't leave you there! Do you earnestly believe that God exists, that you matter to Him, and that He has the power to help you recover? Begin your study by reading Matthew 5:4-5.

It is human nature to shift blame. But knowing that God loves you in all of your brokenness, have you been willing to look at your own role in any problems? Have you been, or are you now, willing to choose *His way* to peace and comfort rather than your own way? In all things? (Romans 6:16.)

Luke 14:33 says, "*So you cannot become my disciple without giving up everything you own.*" Consider the idea that turning your life and will over to the care of God is not surrender in the sense of giving up entirely...it is *entirely joining the winning team!* How does that make a difference in how you think about letting go of your own will and way?

What does "Christ's care and control" mean to you? Read Matthew 11:28-30. What does that passage say to you about how much God loves you - in all your brokenness? And that He *wants* to share your load? Have you prayerfully considered Celebrate Recovery as a place of hope and healing for you?

*"We put our hope in the LORD.
He is our help and our shield."*

Psalm 33:20 (NLT)