



BETTER: Because normal isn't working.

Part Two: "Moving from Bitter to Better"

So Samuel said: "Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is BETTER than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams." 1 Samuel 15:22 (NKJV)

"Mary has chosen what is BETTER, and it will not be taken away from her." Luke 10:42 (NIV)

"By faith Abel brought God a BETTER offering than Cain did." Hebrews 11:4 (NIV)

"A single day spent in your Temple is BETTER than a thousand anywhere else!" Psalm 84:10 (TLB)

Certain things are BETTER.

Do you want BETTER?

☐ No ☐ Maybe ☐ Yes

HOW TO MOVE TOWARD BETTER - 2 Kings 2:19-22

- Jericho looked _____ - v. 19a
- It was _____ and _____ - v. 19b

1. To make it BETTER, look at the _____.

"Does a spring of water bubble out with both fresh water and bitter water?" James 3:11 (NLT)

Don't run from your pain.

_____ it at the source.

MOVING (Cont'd)

2. To make it BETTER, do it _____.

"People don't pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the new wine will make the skins burst. The wine will run out, and the skins will be ruined. Rather, new wine is to be poured into FRESH skins..." Luke 5:37-39 (GWT)

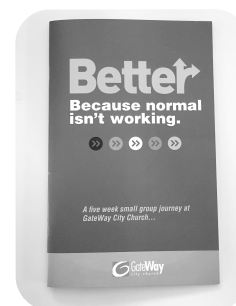
Divine _____ takes us from bitter to better!

3. To make it BETTER, introduce God's _____.

God's _____ must touch the problem!

"God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NCV)

FATHER GOD, Thank you for sending your Son Jesus to break every curse. Bitter and barren, all my efforts in life are useless apart from your power. I'm ready for something better. Lord Jesus, teach me your way. Touch my root issues with your miraculous love and power. In Christ's Name, AMEN



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