

This Far and No Further

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We've all heard the saying "you have to stand for something or you will fall for anything."

Joshua 23:6-13 - "Be very firm, then, to keep and do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, so that you may not turn aside from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you will not associate with these nations, these which remain among you, or mention the name of their gods, or make anyone swear by them, or serve them, or bow down to them." But you are to cling to the LORD your God, as you have done to this day.

More and more I see where good people are falling into places where evil has more room to run free than righteousness. I hear on the news where people that once pronounced Jesus Christ as their Savior are now following a lifestyle of compromise and evil intent.

All along, some of them are blind or they have allowed areas that were once black and white to be shaded a color of grey that allows the boundaries to be pushed past a point of no return.

I'm guilty of becoming so wrapped up in the things I'm dealing with that I allow things to skate by me until I've had to apologize to the Lord or to my family for neglecting to give proper attention to things.

Matthew 24:12 - "Because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold.

Love is at the very center of being a follower of Jesus – if we don't have love, we have nothing. If we are not abiding in the laws of righteousness, then the Bible says we will grow cold. What happens when there is cold? Very little grows.

I know this isn't a very feel good message, friends, - there is a season for everything. <3

I'm reminded today as I'm listening to some very harsh realities of the day and age we live in to ask the Lord to fan the flames of my desires for more of Him in my life, that we could pray together – today – this far and no further – that the enemy wouldn't gain another step further in our lives and that the hand of the Lord would push back the plan of the enemy in each our lives – in Jesus name.