

# WORD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

GOD'S PATIENCE AND KINDNESS LEADS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE. ROMANS 2:4

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*Do what is right, not what is easy.*

I'd seen that saying many times before.  
And I'd liked it.

*Do what is right, not what is easy.*

But seeing it flashing across my computer screen,  
it was like seeing it again for the first time.

Do what is right, not what is easy...do what is right.

*Oh, I thought, oh that doing what is right would also be easy!*

Easy to say yes:

Yes to speaking the truth,

instead of what people want to hear.

Yes to serving the poor,

instead of staying at home.

Yes to smiling and blessing and loving,

instead of frowning or crying or feeling sorry for myself.

Easy to say no:

No to isolation.

No to fear-based living.

No to arguing and complaining and complacency.

*Oh, that doing what is right would also be easy...*

And amidst my thoughts, I hear Jesus answer.

I say, "Oh, that it would be easy."

Jesus says, *Take up your cross and follow Me.*

I say, "I don't think I can. It's too hard. It seems impossible."

Jesus says, *With Me, all things are possible.*

I say, "But, Lord, I've already failed a million times."

Jesus says, *I've already thrown your sins as far as the East is from the West and I remember them no more.*

Easy?

Doing what is right,

taking up our cross and following Jesus?

No, no it's not easy.

But it *is* right. And it *is* worth it.

"Then Jesus told His disciples,

"If anyone would come after Me,

let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.

For whoever would save his life will lose it,

but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it." Matthew 16:24-25

“Jesus looked at [His disciples] intently and said,  
“Humanly speaking, it is impossible.  
But with God everything is possible.” Matthew 19:26 NLT

“Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.  
We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus,  
the Champion who initiates and perfects our faith.  
Because of the joy awaiting Him,  
He endured the cross, disregarding its shame.” from Hebrews 12:1-2 NLT

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**Saturday, February 22—**[\*Community Prayer Walk, FIRED UP in Camden\*](#)

**Sunday, February 23—**[\*4th Sunday Worship Night\*](#)

**March: Financial Stewardship Month—**[\*The Blessed Life Series, Kingdom Builders\*](#)

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