

## "Lie #3"

### **My great question:**

What is keeping me from real transformation?

### **Especially when:**

I know how much I need to be transformed  
And I believe that God really does care

### **The lie that keeps me from really trusting:**

***Lie #3: I must maintain control***

### **Why is this control such a big problem?**

*The reality of control is a misconception:*

Being in control is an illusion

*The ability to control is essential:*

Being in control is compulsory

*The keeping of control is compulsive:*

Being in control is an addiction

### **What does giving God control not mean?**

That I become a puppet

That I cease to be responsible

That I will be protected from all tragedy

### **Three key words of trust:**

***I submit to His...***

Sovereignty:

"He is Lord"

Guidance:

"Thy will be done"

Protection:

"The Good Shepherd"

### **Wonderful discoveries from a transformed life:**

***His will for my life is:***

Good

Fruitful

Pleasing

Joy

Perfect

Holiness

***Will I give up the control which I cannot possess...  
to gain the life I cannot lose?***

### ***Romans 12:1-2***

12:1 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God-this is your spiritual act of worship. 2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is-his good, pleasing and perfect will.

### ***2 Thessalonians 3:2-5***

3 But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. 4 We have confidence in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we command. 5 May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.

### ***1 Thessalonians 5:23-24***

23 May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.  
NIV

### ***Proverbs 3:5-6***

5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

### ***Luke 17:33***

33 Whoever tries to keep his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it.  
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## *Life's 8 Great Lies*

### **Lie #1: I'm not that bad**

Truth: Realize I'm not God. I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and that my life is unmanageable.

### **Lie #2: God doesn't care**

Truth: Earnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him, and that He has the power to help me be transformed.

### **Lie #3: \_\_\_\_\_**

Truth: Consciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and sovereignty.

### **Lie #4:**

Truth:

### **Lie #5:**

Truth:

### **Lie #6:**

Truth:

### **Lie #7:**

Truth:

### **Lie #8:**

Truth:



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