

## Hostage: Addiction

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1. Why do you think it is so easy for people, even church people to fall into addiction?
2. Why do you think it is so inherently hard for people to say that they have no power over destructive behavior? Why is it hard for you?
3. Pastor Bill said that there is a difference between knowing that “Jesus is King of the universe and can do whatever He pleases” and knowing tht He is all this **and** deeply desires to help you. What is the difference between the two and which one of these positions do you identify more closely with?
4. How does a low sense of self worth make destructive habits hard to break? How should your sense of self worth change as a result of knowing Christ as Savior?
5. From a biblical perspective, what is the difference between placing a high value on yourself and being conceited?
6. Phillippians 2:3-4 says we should esteem others more highly than ourselves. This sounds like a recipe for codependence. Read the whole verse and discuss how a codependent may actually be helped by these verses.
7. Going from shame to glory is a huge transformation. Would you say you have experienced this? What is in the way?