Living Beyond Excuses Moving Beyond excuses

Excuses make our life ______ in areas we should be living

Anything created is created with a _____ in mind .

Ephesians 2:10 For we are God's workmanship created....

Ephesians 2:10...created in Christ Jesus

John 13:34 *A new commandment I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also must <u>love one another.</u> 35 By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you <u>love one another.</u>"*

Matthew 22:37-40 Jesus declared, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' 38This is the first and greatest commandment. 39And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 40All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Ephesians 2:10 ... created to do good works,

Yahweh has something for you to do that was on His mind when He ______ you.

Ephesians 2:10 ... which God prepared in advance as our way of life.

As Yahweh's created workmanship, your way of life becomes ______ the path of purpose, aware of your excuses and without distraction.

5 (NOT SO EASY) STEPS TO MOVING BEYOND THE EXCUSES THAT HOLD US BACK

STEP 1 - _____Your Excuses

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STEP 2 - Your Excuses

Answering the "why" questions will reduce the ______ of the excuse.

STEP 3 - Your Excuses

If I created this excuse, I can ______ it down.

STEP 4 - "What do I______ if I continue to excuse?"

STEP 5 - _____ Somebody

You are a created in the image of Yahweh as a purpose-_____ for the good He wants you to walk in, and excuses are obstacles to that purpose.

Life's too ______ and regret is too ______ to live behind an excuse.

I can either allow my excuses to determine my ______ of myself and my view of Yahweh, rendering both as powerless, or I can change my view and ______ Yahweh accordingly, acknowledging that nothing is beyond His power to transform and use.