

WHY IT'S SO HARD TO DO THE RIGHT THING
ROMANS 7:18-21 / 3-31-21 / WED

I. WE JUST DON'T WANT TO DO THE RIGHT THING.

- A. Doing the wrong thing just comes more naturally. Why?
 - 1. The Bible says its because of original sin.
 - 2. Original sin has been defined as being born with a natural tendency to sin that we inherited from Adam-Romans 5:12.
 - 3. Jesus came to do something about this sin gene-Romans 5:18.
 - 4. Although Jesus doesn't remove our sin "gene", he does give us the ability to control it-1 Corinthians 10:13.
- B. We must feed our new nature and starve our old nature.

II. WE OFTEN POSITION OURSELVES FOR FAILURE.

- A. How do we position ourselves for failure.
 - 1. Where do temptations come from? James says its from ourselves-James 1:13-14.
 - 2. We need to change our position according to the Apostle Paul-2 Timothy 2:22--Flee the evil desires....
- B. We must "flee" those situations that tempt us to sin.

III. THE CLEANUP JOB ISN'T OVER YET.

- A. We are all a work in progress—Phil 1:6.
- B. Its like going off a diet for one meal.