



HELPING HEARTS THAT WANT TO **GIVE UP**

Luke 8:40-56

Quitting seems to be a part of life as much as starting. Every year as college starts up, there will be some who quit by the end of the semester. Business start and then the close. The history of most bands is that they break up. It's hard on parents when their child wants to get involved in sports, scouts, camps, music and just a few days into it, the child now wants to quit. People quit jobs. Couples walk out of a marriage and declare that "it's over." They quit. But, the greatest defeat is when one gives up on God.

2 Timothy 4:8 "for Demas, having loved this present world, has deserted me..."

John 6:66 "As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew, and were not walking with Him anymore."

1 Timothy 4:1 But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith (2 Thes. 2:3)

One would think that the last thing anyone would ever give up on would be God. Without God there is no hope. Without God there is no forgiveness. And, yet many do.

- E _____ and r _____ didn't match
- The journey is too _____
- It's too _____ to be a Christian
- The _____ of the world is too strong
- Some are upset at the _____, quit God

Why Some Give Up

A. Our study in Luke shows us two people who had every reason to give up, but they didn't.

1. For the woman the pressure to quit would be because:
2. For the synagogue official the pressure to quit would be because:

The Synagogue Official and the Woman with an Issue of Blood

How are they different?

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How are they Similar?

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The Spirit that leads to quitting:

Defeated, Disappointed & Discouraged

F _____

At a l _____ what to do

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Reality Check (John 6:68)

- Quitting God doesn't make God _____
- Quitting God doesn't _____ what the Bible says
- Quitting God doesn't make life _____

How does faith overcome the desire to quit?

What can be said to someone who is talking about quitting?