

Morning Rundown: 7 Reasons Christian Leaders Fall

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In light of what's going on with Robert Morris and Tony Evans, I decided to re-release this article so we can all focus on finishing strong.

Why do Christian leaders fall? They fall for the same reason all Christians fall. Each of us is drawn away by our own evil desires and enticed. When these desires are acted upon, they lead to sin (see James 1:14-15). Sin has a life cycle—it either grows or withers depending on whether we feed or starve it. John Owen, the prolific Puritan author, wrote, “Be killing sin, or sin will be killing you.”

Consider the following ways sin gains entrance to our lives:

1. “It will never happen to me.” First Corinthians 10:12 reminds us that if we think that we are standing firm, we should be careful that we don't fall. “Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall” (Prov. 16:18, ESV). Pride says, “I've never committed adultery. It will never happen to me.” Humility says, “By the grace of God, I haven't, but I can.”

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Prophetic Voice Laments Harm Caused by Robert Morris Sexual Abuse Scandal

The news of sexual abuse by now-former pastor of Gateway Church Robert Morris against a 12-year-old girl has shocked the church worldwide.

One prophetic voice, Troy Black, spoke about a spiritual attack being waged against the church over a year ago, but says that it in no way excuses the sins committed by Morris:

I am deeply saddened by the news about Pastor Morris. My heart goes out to the victim and anyone who has been hurt by his actions. Though I do believe the prophetic word I heard over a year ago potentially applies to the current situation, it does not in any way excuse or cover past sin. Although Jesus' blood provides forgiveness for sin for all who repent and turn to Him for salvation, there are still very real consequences for sins in this life. So, I don't believe God is glossing over the sin that occurred. Instead, I believe that prophetic word indicates that God sees the members and followers of Gateway Church right where they are and that He has strength and encouragement specifically for them even through this heartache. I believe He knew exactly what they would be walking through right now. As the body of Christ, we need to pray for and encourage them in any way we can.

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Jonathan Cahn: 'America's Prophet' Warns of Dangerous Days Ahead

In these critical times, bestselling author Jonathan Cahn is warning the world of dangerous days—and receiving new recognition for his work. Prominent evangelical leader Dr. Jim Garlow, who heads the Well Versed Ministry, calls Cahn “America’s prophet.”

In a statement to Charisma Media, Garlow praises Cahn for his bold books, vital in this challenging day and age.

“The Jonathan Cahn books are a profound gift to America,” Garlow writes. “The world is being warned by ‘America’s

prophet.' Thanks to Charisma, we have a modern-day Jeremiah warning us."

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