

5 STEPS TO BEAT “IF ONLY”

1. The _____.

“Go to the house of the Rechabites and speak with them and bring them to the house of the Lord, into one of the chambers; then offer them wine to drink.” *Jeremiah 35:2 (ESV)*

“Then I set before the Rechabites pitchers full of wine, and cups, and I said to them, ‘Drink Wine’.” *Jeremiah 35:4 (ESV)*

2. The _____.

“But they answered, ‘We will drink no wine, for Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, commanded us, ‘You shall not drink wine, neither you nor your sons forever.’” *Jeremiah 35:6 (ESV)*

3. The _____.

“...Will you not receive instruction and listen to my words? Declares the Lord. The command that Jonadab the son of Rechab gave his sons, to drink no wine, has been kept and they drink none to this day, for they have obeyed their father’s command. I have spoken to you persistently, but you have not listened to me.” *Jeremiah 35:13b-14 (ESV)*

“If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”
John 8:31-32 (ESV)

4. The _____.

“Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I am bringing upon Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the disaster that I have pronounced against them, because I have spoken to them and they have not listened, I have called to them and they have not answered.”
Jeremiah 35:17 (ESV)

“Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: I am the Lord your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you in the way you should go. Oh, that you had paid attention to my commandment! Then your peace would have been like a river, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea; your offspring would have been like the sand and your descendants like its grains; their name would never be cut off or destroyed from before me.” *Isaiah 48:17-19 (ESV)*

5. The _____.

“Because you have obeyed the command of Jonadab your father and kept all his precepts and done all that he commanded you, therefore thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Jonadab the son of Rechab shall never lack a man to stand before me.” *Jeremiah 35:18b-19 (ESV)*

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- 2. God’s Word** - “For the word of GOD is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword.” *Hebrews 4:12 (ESV)*
- 3. Holy Spirit** - “And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the spirit.”
1 Corinthians 2:13 (ESV)
- 4. Jesus** - “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” *John 14:6 (ESV)*