

Guilt and regret can be overwhelming to most and hold you back from doing God's work.

As a child the Bible and scripture were not read to me weekly, so I had no foundation to build my life on. As a teenager my older brothers were poor examples and I became self-focused and self-serving. By the time I turned 18 drugs and alcohol were a weekly thing. These two led to bad decision making. I interfered in 2 marriages. The first event led to a man hanging himself and I had to cut him down barely alive. The second event led to a very angry man pointing a loaded gun at my head. In 1990 a child was struck by a car in front of my house in a thunderstorm and I was forced to watch her die in the street waiting on an ambulance in the very rural area we lived in. Later in 1990 I called my mom to ask her to meet me on a Monday morning and she did not show up because she was killed in a car wreck. Guilt began to crush me, and my drinking got out of control. In 1992 I blacked out behind the wheel at 3:00 in the morning and hit a tractor trailer which put me in the hospital for 2 days. No one but me got hurt and my injuries were minor. God was merciful. I found myself addicted to pornography by 2004 and in early 2005 I hit my knees and begged God to free me and in 2 weeks IT STOPPED. In June 2005 my 5-year-old was diagnosed with the worst brain tumor a child can have and December 2005 I found myself sitting and drinking and staring at her on a hospice bed at home with the worst possible thoughts a man could think going through my head. Then God spoke to me and said, "Randy there is a better way". Within 2 days 29 years of drinking came to an end. Today I am no longer ashamed of my reflection in the mirror and I serve one master. Jesus Christ.

You cannot change the past, but you should not allow it to keep you from changing the future.

LET IT GO AND TRULY LIVE.

-Randy Hinton