



GRAVITY

Part 3: “Adverse Atmospheres”

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HOW DO WE END UP IN ADVERSE ATMOSPHERES?

**1. SOME ATMOSPHERES ARE _____ FOR US
BY _____.**

“I lavish unfailing love to a thousand generations. I forgive iniquity, rebellion, and sin. But I do not excuse the guilty. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children and grandchildren; the entire family is affected—even children in the third and fourth generations.”

Exodus 34:7 (NLT)

**2. SOME ATMOSPHERES WE
_____.**

“Lot chose for himself the whole Jordan Valley to the east of them. He went there with his flocks and servants and parted company with his uncle Abram. So Abram settled in the land of Canaan, and Lot moved his tents to a place near Sodom and settled among the cities of the plain. But the people of this area were extremely wicked and constantly sinned against the Lord.”

Genesis 13:11-13 (NLT)

“That evening the two angels came to the entrance of the city of Sodom. Lot was sitting there, and when he saw them, he stood up to meet them. Then he welcomed them and bowed with his face to the ground.”

Genesis 19:1 (NLT)

“Don’t let anyone fool you. ‘Bad companions make a good person bad.’”

1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIRV)

HOW DO WE KEEP ADVERSE ATMOSPHERES FROM HOLDING US DOWN?

1. _____ THE ATMOSPHERES THAT HOLD YOU DOWN.

“Flee from sexual immorality.”

1 Corinthians 6:18 (NIV)

“Flee from the worship of idols.”

1 Corinthians 10:14 (NLT)

“Flee the evil desires of youth”

2 Timothy 2:22 (NIV)

“But you, man of God, run away from all those things. Instead, live in the right way, serve God, have faith, love, patience, and gentleness.”

1 Timothy 6:11 (NCV)

“Don’t become partners with those who reject God. How can you make a partnership out of right and wrong? That’s not partnership; that’s war. Is light best friends with dark? Does Christ go strolling with the Devil? Do trust and mistrust hold hands? Who would think of setting up pagan idols in God’s holy Temple? But that is exactly what we are, each of us a temple in whom God lives.”

2 Corinthians 6:14-16a (MSG)

2. _____ **THE ATMOSPHERES YOU CAN'T**
_____.

“(Josiah) took his place of authority beside the pillar and renewed the covenant in the Lord’s presence. He pledged to obey the Lord by keeping all his commands, laws, and decrees with all his heart and soul. Never before had there been a king like Josiah, who turned to the Lord with all his heart and soul and strength, obeying all the laws of Moses. And there has never been a king like him since.”

2 Kings 23:3,25 (NLT)

“I won’t look at anything that is evil. I hate the acts of people who aren’t faithful to you. I don’t even want people like that around me.”

Psalm 101:3 (NIRV)

3. _____ **OF EVERY**
ATMOSPHERE YOU’RE IN.

“The king assigned them a daily ration of food and wine from his own kitchens. They were to be trained for three years, and then they would enter the royal service. But Daniel was determined not to defile himself by eating the food and wine given to them by the king. He asked the chief of staff for permission not to eat these unacceptable foods. At the end of the ten days, Daniel and his three friends looked healthier and better nourished than the young men who had been eating the food assigned by the king.”

Daniel 1:5,8,15 (NLT)

“The Lord was with Joseph, so he succeeded in everything he did as he served in the home of his Egyptian master. Potiphar noticed this and realized that the Lord was with Joseph, giving him success in everything he did. This pleased Potiphar, so he soon made Joseph his personal attendant. He put him in charge of his entire household and everything he owned. From the day Joseph was put in charge of his master’s household and property, the Lord began to bless Potiphar’s household for Joseph’s sake. All his household affairs ran smoothly, and his crops and livestock flourished. So Potiphar gave Joseph complete administrative responsibility over everything he owned. With Joseph there, he didn’t worry about a thing—except what kind of food to eat!”

Genesis 39:2-6 (NLT)

“Joseph’s suggestions were well received by Pharaoh and his officials. So Pharaoh asked his officials, ‘Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?’ Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, ‘Since God has revealed the meaning of the dreams to you, clearly no one else is as intelligent or wise as you are. You will be in charge of my court, and all my people will take orders from you. Only I, sitting on my throne, will have a rank higher than yours.’ Pharaoh said to Joseph, ‘I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt.’”

Genesis 41:37-41 (NLT)

“Just because something is technically legal doesn't mean that it's spiritually appropriate. If I went around doing whatever I thought I could get by with, I'd be a slave to my whims.”

1 Corinthians 6:12 (MSG)

“Decide instead to live in such a way that you will not cause another believer to stumble and fall.”

Romans 14:13 (NLT)