YOU DESERVE IT!

VIDEO: SnowTrain

- Life in Amer is always putting obstacles that Chrns hav plow thru
- Instead of being content with ALL we hav, world always putting more things in front of us. Our childrn being told UDI! Need more

BUYING INTO "YOU DESERVE IT"

- How much more than u already have will fulfill u? Content?
- Churches in NT had sp strengths & sp weaknesses.

Strengths: Ch in Amer supports & sends gospel all over world.

Weaknesses: Just one today, we have an I DESERVE It! Attitude toward having many things, and Possessions.

Ephesians 2:1-5 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions & sins, ² in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world & of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.

DANGERS OF "DESERVING"

Our Children -

-Pummeled: TV ads. Other parents spoil kids, Sch teaching unChrn Ads junk food – obesity

Cigarette ads, Alcohol, Marijuana

Sex. Boobs Butts Bellies. Viagra & "Mommy what lasts 4 hours?" Clothing/Name Brand/Fashion.

Th world doesn't even need to say YDI! Just show it, Flesh drawn

- If u want to frustrate & quench ur childs faith in Jesus: give in to the pressure in ur life and theirs.
- YDI! Area of life lessons.

Guard them from disasters.

Bail them out with the teacher homework or misbehaving Fight against police officer caught 4 shop lifting

THEY DON'T DESERVE IT. DESERVE BETTER. NOT THEIR FAULT.

- Jewish parents teach kids about their enemies: Exodus. Holocau
- Christ parents teach don't tend to teach they have enemy of soul Pic KidsAccountable

Children that aren't taught accountability for their actions, grow up to become adults, that think nothing they do is wrong.

- **Imagine a child** guided by their parent(s) learning to deal with disappointment, learned responsibility, knowing they deserve sp death, and lives their life thinking of others before themselves.
- Don't wear titles Amer puts on u? Me, Boomers, Millenials, etc (Entitlement) Bernie Sanders
- Love ur child enough to make it hard on them when they're young, while they're under your care.
- Teach them about the Jesus Christ of the Bible, loved by some...

 John 15:18-19 "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. ¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.
- Teach the about what happens to those who rebel against God
- Show them how a Chrn goes thru a trial, when u go thru one Show them what happens to temporary things. Junk yard.

 That is, unless, you've bought into YDI!

2 New Christians -

- When a NC hears preaching/teaching/books telling them God wants to bless them, wants them happy, has wonderful plan 4 their life, & lose their job the next day, they have a crisis of faith
- Cassettes \$100 "100 ways to make money"
- U r a Chrn in China, Russia or Iran... how does that play out???? Chrns from these countries know it will be tough.
- Become a better U. You can, U Will. The New You begins today
- Pick up Bible: Only way find urself, lose urself.

³ All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh & following its <u>desires</u> & <u>thoughts</u>. Like the rest, we were by nature <u>deserving</u> of wrath.

⁴ But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

1 John 2:15 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them.

1 John 2:24 As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father.

1 John 3:5-6 ...you know that Jesus appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. ⁶ No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him.

- Genius of Chrnty is its inside us: cant be taken, only given away
- New Chrns learns about real treasures and sp strength:
 Joy, Peace, Grace, Mercy, Forgiveness, GIFT of ETERNAL LIFE
- u want to ruin a new chrn, give them a book written by men
- you want to raise a great chrn, get them in good Bible Study

 If New Chrns is taught YD!! the teachings of Bible frustrate them

3 Frustrated Christians -

- You've been treated Unfairly, Looked over promotion, Why me? and thinking "God, I don't deserve this..."
- Something has gone wrong in ur walk with Jesus.

 Titus 2:11-14 For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.
- ¹² It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright & godly lives in this present age
- while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,
- who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.
- Paul deserved... John deserved... Jesus deserved...
 Two kinds new employee: One thinks work too much/paid to little
 Other works hard/Grateful for their pay (knew when took job)

Did you ever deserve something and not get it? NOT GETTING WHAT WE DESERVE

- What if u got a speeding ticket for every time you sped?
- My best friend as a kid and his buddy burned down cabins
- Ever take something that wasn't yours?
- Started bulldozer, Sims Park Euclid
- Ever envied? Lusted w eyes. Coveted someone's things, Have u satisfied ur emotions with buying some thing
- * Thank God we don't always get what we deserve

* Know the truth about what you deserve

- Be real to urself, before Jesus

What we deserve on Earth.

What we receive in Heaven.

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ONE THING REQUIRED

- In this entire passage there's one thing required, fear Him

Students from College in RI studying getting in way of activism

Close: East to West Casting crowns

One scarred hand to the other

- Jesus came so we u could b content? W/O inner sense that we deserve more
- Live a life not worried about what u deserve, but how you can bless others.

Mike Golic if I trapped the ball Bald guy pushing hand back on his head- Pushing hair out of my eyes — u have play cards dealt

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