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Monthly Theme – You Gotta Gear Down Before You Gear Up

It's January... time for resolutions and more productivity, right? Not so fast. That's the enemy's playground for eventual discouragement and failure... again... if it's not preceded by something very critical. That critical "something" we men tend to do very poorly... is surrender.

In the war that is encompassing the Kingdom of Heaven, for us as men to engage successfully toward victory, the surrender element is the first step, not the last. If we fight the enemy before we surrender and humble ourselves to the will of Lord Jesus, we will get kicked... again. What do you need to give over to the Lord so it is His strength, wisdom, and power being accessed instead of your own? Is your world still all about you? Are you being led by the Holy Spirit or by your macho spirit or passive spirit? In your Fireteam this month, let's talk about what we need to surrender.

Questions to discuss:

1. Am I willing to be honest about what I still need to give up, or am I going to pose... again?
2. Will I let the others in my Fireteam help me and hold me accountable?

Scripture Reference:

*James 5:16... "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."