

# IS YOUR BATTERY DEAD

## Day 3 – Faulty Connections

### Scripture:

*“Do not be misled: ‘Bad company corrupts good character.’” – 1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)*

Have you ever had a charger that *looked* fine but didn’t actually work? You plug your phone in, the little lightning bolt shows up, and you think you’re charging — but later you check, and your battery’s still at 2%. Turns out, the cord’s frayed or the plug wasn’t all the way in.

One time, I thought I was being proactive before a trip and plugged in my phone overnight. The next morning, I woke up to 3% battery and a full day of travel ahead. I had plugged it into the wrong outlet — one that wasn’t working. I laughed at first, but by lunchtime I was desperately searching the airport for an empty charging port. Lesson learned: it matters *what* and *where* you’re plugged into.

The same is true for our spiritual lives. Sometimes we think we’re “charging,” but our connection isn’t as strong as we think. We may be plugged into things — or people — that don’t actually give life.

You can’t get spiritual energy from worldly sources.

We try to recharge through distractions — social media, entertainment, shopping, busyness — hoping those things will fill the

emptiness we feel. And they might give a little spark, but not the deep, lasting power that only comes from God.

And just like a broken charger, the wrong influences can drain you instead of charging you. That's why Paul wrote, "*Do not be misled: 'Bad company corrupts good character.'*" It's not about judging people — it's about guarding your connection. If you're constantly surrounded by negativity, gossip, or pressure to compromise your values, it's like trying to plug into a dead outlet. No charge will ever come from that.

Healthy connections matter. The right people — those who pray with you, encourage you, and remind you of God's promises — will help keep your faith charged. And your connection with God is the strongest "charger" you'll ever have.

So maybe it's time to do a little "cord check." Are there relationships or routines that look good but are actually draining your spiritual battery? Are you plugged into temporary things when you could be plugged into eternal power?

The good news is, Jesus never loses power. His connection is always stable, His current never weakens, and His power is unlimited. You just have to plug in — fully, intentionally, consistently.

### **Reflection:**

- What or who are you currently "plugged into" that might be draining your spiritual energy?
- How can you strengthen your connection to God this week?

- Who in your life helps you recharge your faith instead of draining it?

**Prayer:**

Lord, thank You for reminding me to check my connections. I've been plugging into things that can't sustain me — people, habits, distractions. Help me to stay connected to You, the true Source of power. Strengthen my faith and surround me with relationships that help me grow closer to You. In Jesus Name We Pray, Amen.