# AUGUST 4/5 | REDEEMING THE DARK SIDE | BRAD BRINSON

THE SECRET TO INFULENCE		
Every person in this room has a " " 1 John 1:8		
There is one group Jesus in NOT gentle with		
<ul> <li>Those who pretend they have dark side.</li> </ul>		
Who pretend to represent		
<ul> <li>Who refuse to the very words they're teaching, to themselves.</li> </ul>		
Matthew 23:1-4		
Jesus employed a word used during the 1st Century, in an entirely new way:		
James 4:6; Matthew 23:13		
An area particularly important to Jesus is how our dark side affects our		
of others.		
What Jesus said distinguished His followers from others. Matthew 20:25-28		
Godly influencers know that they have been placed on the planet to:		
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Always, in our dark side, we have this sin induced		
We see ourselves at the of the universe.		
Two examples of 2 radically different perspectives on influence:		
The perspective of King Rehoboam. 1 Kings 12; Proverbs 20:28		
The perspective of Jesus. John 13:3-5		
What gave Jesus the to serve that the others lacked?		
The Apostle Paul 1 Corinthians 11:1		
The Apostle Peter 1 Peter 5:3		
Three things are unique about a shepherd's influence:		
1. A shepherd leads through, not fear.		
2. Shepherds move at the of the sheep. Matthew 11:29; Psalm 23:2		
3. A shepherd notices when one has wandered offHe them.		
Matthew 18:12-13		
Serving others not only blesses them, it frees from constant frustration.		
Matthew 10:39		

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**1 Year Anniversary:** 2RC Roane County Campus is turning 1! Join us on August 14 @ 5:30P at the Glass's house for a lake front celebration with delicious BBQ & worship! Bring your own lawn chairs & drinks. All food will be provided. Find directions at **2RC.tv/Events**.

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**Worship Auditions:** If you are interested in serving as a musician, vocalist or on the Tech Team, applications are being accepted & auditions are being held year-round. Learn all about auditions & how you can get started in Worship Arts at **2RC.tv/Worship**.

#### **MEN**

**Men's Breakfast:** Join us @ the Knoxville Campus on August 25 from 8:30-10:30A for the Faith Playbook simulcast with Superbowl champions, the Philadelphia Eagles! Get a great breakfast and find out how following Jesus impacts real life on & off the field. There is also special 'bring some buddies' pricing: \$10/ticket or 3 for \$20. Register at **2RC.tv/Eagles**.

#### **CARE**

**COAP:** Children Of Aging Parents is here to care for you while you care for them. The next seminar, covering legal & estate planning, will be on August 11 @ 9:00A in the River Room @ the Knoxville Campus. There will also be a Group this fall to support & encourage those walking this path. Sign up & find the seminar schedule & topics at **2RC.tv/COAP**.

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## **STUDENTS**

**Fall Kickoff:** Middle & high school students, hang out with us as we kick off our fall semester Gatherings. Come enjoy food, drinks, games, prizes & engaging teaching. Bring a friend!

MID-WEEK TIMES
The Well (Prayer & Worship) @ Knoxville Campus Wednesday 6:30-8:30P River Room   2RC.tv/WELL

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# LIVE IT OUT

#### **Putting The Bible Into Practice:**

How would you or those close to you describe your dark side? How do you respond when your dark side comes out: ignore it, pamper it, make excuses, enter into a spiral of shame or condemnation, or pursue God's healing transformation? What progress have you seen?

Who has influenced you the most, positively or negatively? What was their motivation & strategy or style of influence? Read John 13:3-5. How does understanding your identity & future impact your ability to sacrificially serve? Where do you need to follow Jesus' example?

Do you tend to influence others through relationship or power? Describe. What benefits have you experienced from serving others? Who is God calling you to serve sacrificially & how?

## Challenge:

Seek God's help & guidance in transforming your dark side. Make it your goal to serve others.

