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Breaking Habits

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Reward Craving Response

1. Four common cues for bad habits

- Places
- Time of day
- Mood (HALT)
- People

Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm. **Proverbs 13:20** NIV

2. Stopping the <u>cues</u> that lead us to bad habits

- Watch for cues
- Interrupt the action

Next Steps:
□ Confess my habit of and work to interrupt the temptation that comes by (cue) by doing
☐ I am most vulnerable to temptation and bad habits when
☐ Pray and ask God to help me see what I need to change to follow him more completely
☐ Attend the last two messages of this series (or watch on our Youtube channel)

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