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Ecclesiastes 4

NOT just for HELP when facing temptations to <u>Alcohol</u> as an escape (evil to God -- Isaiah 5:22, First Peter 4:3). This song supports you in fighting ANY addiction, including smoking, FOOD (God mentions this in Romans 16:18, Phil. 3:19 etc), GOSSIP <u>evil as murder</u> to God-- see Romans 1:29-32 and 2nd Corinthians 12:20), QUICK TEMPER, envy, and MATERIALISM-- as well as IMMORALITY, or dependence on alcohol and drugs (see First Peter 4:3, or even Workaholism (like Martha in John 11).

MUSIC SHEET

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4/4 FOR Part 1; 3/4 time for Part 2 TEMPO: 128 BPM

dedicated to our Supportive God, 23 November 2010 Album: Amazing Holy Spirit 'n' Church

James 4: 7-8 New King James Version (see page 2):

"Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."

But "prayer concerns" that are not filled with **anguish** for someone struggling with an addiction **ANGERS** our God of Righteousness just as much. This song comprises the choruses for the song, MULES TOGETHER, whose verses were written on 10 September 2010 after watching a team of 8 mules pull an Amish plow in Strasburg Pennsylvania, USA. God brought to my mind the encouraging supportive verses of both Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 plus God's warning in **Hebrews 10:25** for us Christ-followers:

Do NOT neglect meeting together in church as "is the habit of some."

These two scripture sections fit together perfectly....

Each individual who hides a need for support from "church" misses out on all the encouraging sharing-together support of words plus PRAYERS TO GOD. (And if you haven't found a church that is non-judgmental, keep praying for guidance to a Christ-following church.)

The choruses for "Mules Together" -- THIS SONG -- was written 6 weeks later, in 10 minutes. This is a wonderful *encouraging reminder for people fighting temptation battles of EVERY kind – not just alcoholism but also OVEREATING and over-SPENDING and over-EVERYTHING--* Friends help, & you <u>DO</u> have <u>God</u> Who loves you SO much and Who dearly WANTS you to succeed so much that He offers you help....

PART 2 "RAP" INTRO is based on E minor riffs with occasional splashes of A minor riffs: 4/4 time										
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	+	(measures as Line #s)
5	Pray	and	ask	God	to	please	send			
7	you	some-	one	to	help	•	when		_	
9	you	just	can't	 quite	•	THAT		on	- your	r
11	own.			What_	EV- E	R the ac	d- DIC-			
13	E	cle-si	as	tes _	FOUR	verse_	9: _		_	
15	God	loves	you;	_ He's	<u>ON</u>	your	side.			
17	Don't	de-	lay,	_		just	say:		_	
19	God,	send	me	to	help	SOME	-one	_ ar	nd	
21	God	send	some-o	ne <u>to</u>	help	me.	please) .		
INTERLUDE:										
23,25		_	_	_	_	_	_	_	4	4 MEASURES
29	Your	own	Word	tells m	e GOD_	_that Yo	ou WILI	L		
31	E	_cle-si-	as-	tes	Four			vers	s-es	
33			twelve					God	<u> </u>	
35	_	_forts _	YOU_		Of- fer	- ing _		HIS	_	
37	HELP	·		— –					_	
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PART 2 CHORUSES 1, 2, 3													
	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	+
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	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	+
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1d 2d 3d melody	G /D cle- si- as-tes Four Four Verse Eight: God He- brews Ten Vers G G G -(G) A		Four God Verse	ur Verse od will come			Five Come			to God			
INTERLUDE and ENDING RIFFS (repeat as long as desired)													
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<u>Song Story.</u> A very encouraging story. I get so angry when I hear people -- especially some in church -- gossip about someone who is fighting addictions. The <u>scriptures show that God -- Jesus -- also is angry at GOSSIPS</u> (James 4:11). Yes, **we do need to support each other** by prayer-filledly speaking to point **out where we are disobeying God. Ephesians 4:15:** "Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ..." [Revised Standard Version]

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ECCLESIASTES 4, Verses 9, 10 and 12.

"TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE. Because they have a good reward for their labor. FOR if they fall, ONE will lift up his companion. But woe to him who is alone when he falls. For he has no one to help him up. Though one may be overpowered by another, **TWO** can withstand him. And a three-fold cord is not quickly broken."

The **third cord** is our LORD **God**, always ready to come help you when you ask Him.

<u>God calls members of churches to work together</u> to support each other— Hebrews10:25 reminds us to GO to church to support each other.

This song is related to the encouraging hip hop song <u>JAMES FOUR SEVEN</u> whose helpful words encourage you after God's warnings in verses 1 to 5:

JAMES 4:

- Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?
- You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask.
- 3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.
- Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.
- Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously"?
- But He [God Almighty through His Holy Spirit] gives more grace. Therefore He [God] says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."
- 7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.
- **Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.** Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you **double-minded**.
- Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. [That is, mourn for your sins so that you will seek God's Help which He promises in very next verse:
- 10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you UP.

And for anyone **who gossips about YOU** and whatever temptation you're sincerely fighting:

11 **Do not speak evil of one another**, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge.

BUT GOD RESPECTS YOUR PRIVACY and personhood too much to force Himself upon you. He won't force His loving help upon you unless you really want it AND pray for help. NOR will God excuse you.... God is not an "enabler." Read the Book of First John for more info about God's love and forgiveness and help for you. Yes....

for you, no matter what you've done or HOW MANY TIMES YOU'VE FAILED......