

With “everything” against you, you will need to overcome the general attitude against ex-offenders. These character qualities will speak volumes on your behalf and empower you to OVERCOME!

“Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.”
Ecclesiastes 4:12

Don't spend time alone!
We all tend to behave ourselves more when there's others around.



“In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you brothers, to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us.”
2nd Thessalonians 3:6

Be DISCRIMINATING
about who you hang with!



“Don't be misled: Bad company corrupts good character.”
1st Corinthians 15:33

Be INTENTIONAL
about who you hang with!
Let us not give up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching.
Hebrews 10:25

Hang with those who encourage you
in the RIGHT direction!
(GO TO CHURCH!)



“Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks IN all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”
1st Thessalonians 5:16-18

Develop an
ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE!

“...always giving thanks to God the Father FOR everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”
Ephesians 5:20

“Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.” James 1:2-3

Develop PERSEVERANCE!
(Hang in there! Don't ever give up!)



“If anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, without comparing himself to somebody else, for each one should carry his own load.”
Galatians 6:2-5

Develop HUMILITY!

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“God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”
Proverbs 3:35; James 4:6b; 1st Peter 5:5b

“In humility, consider others better than yourself.”
Philippians 2:3b

It's a well-known fact that
80% of those released from
incarceration will return to crime
and return to jail.
Be different! Join the 20%!

BE DIFFERENT
FROM THE WORLD!
BECOME THE KIND OF MAN
GOD CREATED YOU TO BE!

*Do not conform any longer to the
pattern of this world, but be
transformed by the renewing of
your mind.*

-Romans 12:2a



*Do not repay anyone evil for
evil...Do not take revenge, my
friends, but leave room for God's
wrath."*

- Romans 12: 17, 19

DON'T HOLD GRUDGES!

*"For if you forgive men when the
sin against you, you heavenly
Father will also forgive you. But
if you do not forgive men their
sins, your Father will not forgive
your sins.*

- Matthew 6:14-15

*"We must pay careful attention,
therefore, to what we have heard,
so that we do not drift away."*

Hebrews 2:1

STAY FOCUSED!



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EVERY DAY!



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STAYING OUT

Gettin' out is the easy part.

Stayin' out is the challenge.



SOME TIPS & SUGGESTIONS

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