Can't Miss

3 "You shall have no other gods before me. Exodus 20:3 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. Deuteronomy 6:5

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, Romans 3:23

One of the difficult things about being a follower of Christ is that the <u>target</u> always seems to be always be moving farther away.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27

23 For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Romans 3:23 NLT

Our behaviors naturally reflect our love, or lack of love, for God.

Our sense of <u>failure</u> is directly related to our standards.

The standard that God set for us in Jesus was not to discourage us but to <u>humble</u> us.

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. Matthew 5:48

"But my people would not listen to me; Israel would not submit to me.12 So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts to follow their own devices. Psalm 81:11-12

Just because God allows you to become <u>cozy</u> with your sin does not mean that he has changed his mind about it.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Colossians 3:5

While we can't always control what is going on around us, we can get much better control of what is happening <u>inside</u> us.

The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught. Isaiah 29:13

One way I am going to hit the target this week is	
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