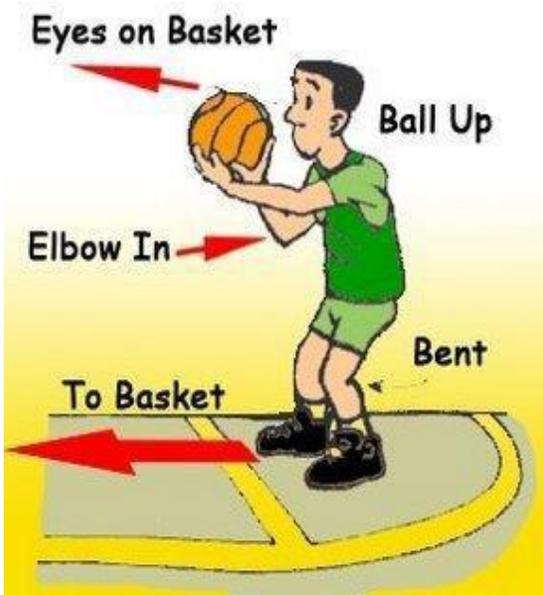


We Have Positive and Negative Pathways



“But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness”

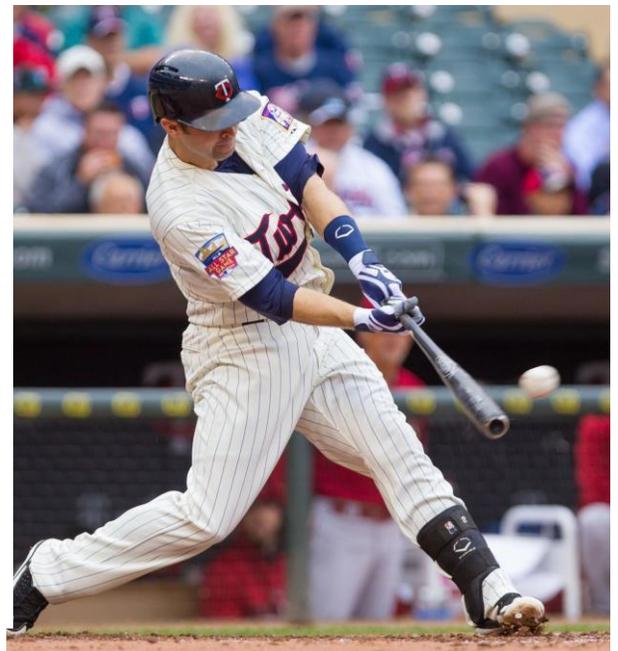
(Romans 6:16-18).

“Slaves of sin” is caused by negative neuroplasticity (addiction).

“Slaves of God” is caused by positive neuroplasticity (addiction).

“But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life”

(Romans 6:22).





1. What phrase in Romans 6:16-18 refers to a positive addiction?

"Slaves of righteousness"

2. What phrase in Romans 6:16-18 refers to a negative addiction?

"Slaves of sin"

3. Explain negative neuroplasticity?

It is the learning and practicing of ungodly behaviors which strengthens their pathways.

4. Explain positive neuroplasticity?

It is the learning and practicing of godly behaviors which strengthens their pathways.

5. Explain basketball to baseball transformation to Romans 6:22.

"Set free from sin" is compared to the player quitting (overcoming) basketball.

"Having become slaves of God" is compared to the player committing to learning and practicing baseball.

6. Apply Romans 6:22 to overcoming addiction.

When the addict obeys the Gospel and receives "the gift of the Holy Spirit," he stops ungodly addictive behavior.

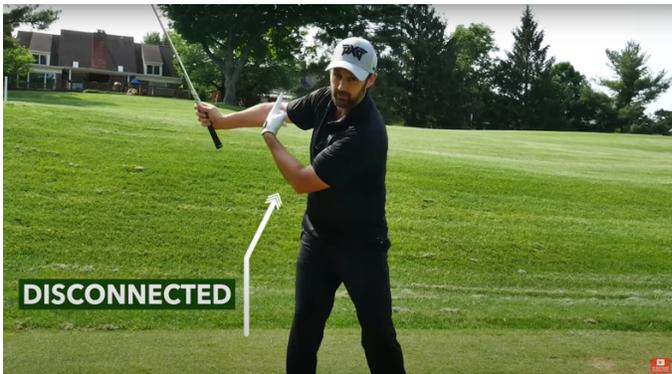
Then, the recovering addict begins to learn and practice "fruit to holiness" (godly behaviors).

1. What is wrong with the setup in the picture below?



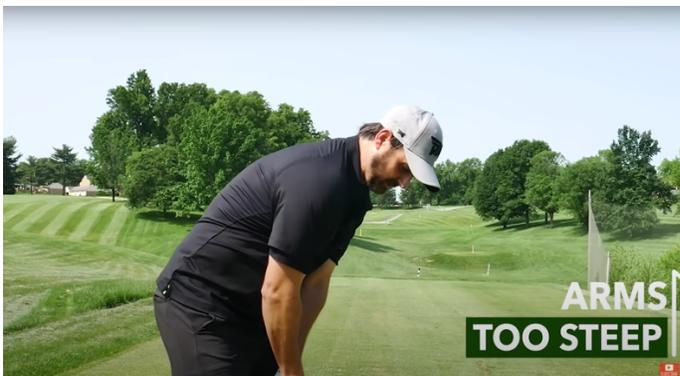
There is no structure in the arms which will cause the arms to bow out

2. What happens when you setup with no arm structure?



Your arm gets disconnected

3. With no arm structure, what happens to your downswing?



Your downswing becomes too steep