

## Galatians 5:24-26 & 6:1

### 24. And those who are Christ's have **CRUCIFIED the FLESH with its PASSIONS and DESIRES.**

- **Romans 6:1-2** "What shall we say then? Shall we \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ that grace may abound? Certainly not! How shall we who \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ live any longer in it?"
- **Ephesians 2:3** "Among whom also we all \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves in the \_\_\_\_\_ of our \_\_\_\_\_, fulfilling the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, just as the others."
- **Romans 6:15** "What then? Shall we \_\_\_\_\_ because we are not under law, but under \_\_\_\_\_? Certainly \_\_\_\_\_!"
- **I Peter 4:3** "For we have \_\_\_\_\_ enough of our \_\_\_\_\_ lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles (non-believers), when we walked in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_."
- **I Peter 1:13-17** "Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be \_\_\_\_\_, and rest your hope fully upon the \_\_\_\_\_ that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; as \_\_\_\_\_ children, not conforming yourselves to the \_\_\_\_\_, as in your \_\_\_\_\_; but as He who called you is holy, you also be \_\_\_\_\_ in all your \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Romans 6:6-7** "Knowing this, that our \_\_\_\_\_ man was \_\_\_\_\_ with Him, that the body of \_\_\_\_\_ might be done away with, that we should \_\_\_\_\_ longer be \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. For he who has \_\_\_\_\_ has been freed from \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Galatians 2:20** "I have been \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_; it is no longer I who live, but \_\_\_\_\_ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh (in my human body) I live by \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

**Definition: "CRUCIFIED the FLESH with its PASSIONS and DESIRES"** - To crucify means to put to death. We must "crucify" or "put to death" the desires of our flesh. We do not have two "natures" - one good, and the other bad. **Your NATURE means your essential being, the "real YOU," and there is only ONE you, the new nature, CREATED in the image of Jesus Christ the moment you got saved** (Colossians 3:10). **However**, in Romans chapter 7, Paul struggles with this dilemma of having "sin that dwells in me", but **the real Paul, in his spirit**, says "it is no longer I who do it". He says, "evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good" (Romans 7:20-21). In verse 22, he says he "delights to do the will of God in his **inward man**", and that is **the NEW NATURE** in Christ. We do not have two natures, but we do have the fallout, or **LEFTOVERS of the BEHAVIOR PATTERNS** of the old sin nature, and these reside in **our FLESH, which is our PHYSICAL BODY and MENTAL and EMOTIONAL make-up**. The old man was crucified with Christ, but he left behind a full tape library of old thoughts, ways of looking at things, how we handled life situations, in short, **the old behavior patterns**. In Ephesians 4:22-24, we are told to lay aside or **put off the CONDUCT (behavior patterns)** of the old man. We need to clean out the tape library, put in new software, or however you want to picture it in your mind. Otherwise, in a moment of weakness, or when we're not aware, we pop in an old tape and let it run. That's where we get into trouble. Jesus says, "**Let him DENY himself**" and "Whoever loses his life for My sake, the same will save it." He is talking about giving up all the old desires of your flesh, **"its PASSIONS and DESIRES" as Galatians 5:24 says - DENYING yourself those things**, and walking away from them. Some of those old things may still have a hold on you, but

God's word says you have to "**CRUCIFY**" or **put to DEATH those things** from your "lower" life that stand in the way of your walk with Christ. That means you STOMP IT OUT, like Smokey the Bear on a lighted match! Then, you take up your cross, which means the plan and purpose God has for your life, and you follow Jesus in the HIGHER life.

- **Colossians 3:1-5** "If \_\_\_\_\_ then were \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_, seek those things which are \_\_\_\_\_, where \_\_\_\_\_ sits on the right hand of God. Set your \_\_\_\_\_ on things \_\_\_\_\_, not on things on the earth. For you \_\_\_\_\_, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall \_\_\_\_\_ also appear with Him in glory. Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ your members (fleshly desires) which are upon the earth; \_\_\_\_\_, uncleanness, \_\_\_\_\_, evil \_\_\_\_\_, and covetousness, which is idolatry."
- **Ephesians 4:22** "That you \_\_\_\_\_, concerning your former conduct, the old man, which is \_\_\_\_\_ according to its deceitful \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_."
- **I Corinthians 9:27** "But I \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ and bring it into \_\_\_\_\_, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified (lose my testimony)."
- **Matthew 16:24-25** "Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him \_\_\_\_\_ himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever desires to \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_ will lose it, and whoever \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ sake will find it.'"

**Definition: "Let him DENY HIMSELF"** - "DENY himself" and "lose his life for My sake" and "put to death the DEEDS of the BODY" all mean the same thing: to get rid of, GIVE UP, DENY (say "No" to) the desires of your old sin nature; to DISREGARD the INTERESTS of the old man (**why should you pay attention to his interests? he's dead anyway!**). By doing this you fulfill God's will in your life - you give up the "lower" life in order to live the "higher life" with Christ (Phil. 3:12-14 calls it the "high calling"). Praise God! **We have a CHOICE!** We can **PUT to DEATH, or KILL those IMPULSES** and temptations coming from our FLESH (the "deeds of the BODY"), and Romans 8:13 says **we do it "by the SPIRIT** - by the POWER of the HOLY SPIRIT in our lives.

- **Romans 8:13** "For if you live according to the \_\_\_\_\_ you will \_\_\_\_\_; but if \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ you put to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_, you will live."

**25-26. If we LIVE in the Spirit, let us also WALK in the SPIRIT.** Let us not become **CONCEITED**, provoking one another, envying one another.

- **Philippians 2:3** "Let \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_ through selfish ambition or \_\_\_\_\_, but in \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ let each esteem others better than himself."
- **I Thessalonians 4:1** "Finally, brethren, we \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ God."
- **Galatians 5:16** "I say then, '\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_, and you shall \_\_\_\_\_ fulfill the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.'"
- **Romans 6:3-4** "Or do you not know that as many of \_\_\_\_\_ as were baptized into \_\_\_\_\_ were baptized into His \_\_\_\_\_? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into \_\_\_\_\_, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "If we LIVE in the Spirit, let us also WALK in the SPIRIT"** - What does it mean to "**LIVE in the Spirit**" and "**WALK in the SPIRIT**"? It is basically the same as **being FILLED with the Holy Spirit**. We live or have eternal life through the Holy Spirit, so Paul says we should "walk" (conduct our lives) in the power of (under the influence of) the Holy Spirit. "Filled with the Spirit" means "controlled by the Spirit." In Ephesians 5:18, being DRUNK is contrasted with BEING FILLED with the Spirit. INSTEAD of being drunk, which is to be "UNDER the INFLUENCE" of alcohol, we are to be **CONTROLLED by** or "**UNDER the INFLUENCE**" of the Holy Spirit. This is NOT a ONE-TIME experience, but a continuous, daily, even moment-by-moment YIELDING and surrendering of ourselves to the Holy Spirit's control in our lives.

- **Ephesians 5:18-26** "And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_, speaking to one another psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, \_\_\_\_\_ and making melody in your heart to the Lord. Giving \_\_\_\_\_ always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ to one another in the fear of God. Wives, \_\_\_\_\_ to your own husbands, as to the Lord..... Husbands, \_\_\_\_\_ your wives, just as Christ also \_\_\_\_\_ the church and gave Himself for it....."

**Definition: "Let us NOT become CONCEITED, provoking one another, ENVYING one another"** - The **opposite of the Holy Spirit controlling** our lives is to have our fleshly lusts, desires and **BAD ATTITUDES controlling our lives**. Notice how **these negative attitudes or "qualities" of being CONCEITED, PROVOKING one another, and ENVYING** are mentioned in I Corinthians 13 as being the opposite of **God's kind of love**. It is God's **Holy Spirit who gives us the ability to LOVE** one another.

- **I Corinthians 13:4-8** " \_\_\_\_\_ suffers long (is patient) and is \_\_\_\_\_; love does not \_\_\_\_\_; love does \_\_\_\_\_ parade itself (act conceited), is \_\_\_\_\_ puffed up (with pride or conceit); does \_\_\_\_\_ behave \_\_\_\_\_, does not seek its own (is not selfish), is not \_\_\_\_\_ (not easily irritated), thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the \_\_\_\_\_; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. \_\_\_\_\_ never fails."
- **John 13:35** "By this \_\_\_\_\_ men will \_\_\_\_\_ that you are My disciples, if you have \_\_\_\_\_ for one another."
- **I John 4:7-11 & 13** "Beloved, let us \_\_\_\_\_ one another, for \_\_\_\_\_ is of God; and everyone who loves (with God's kind of love) is born of God and knows God. He who does not \_\_\_\_\_ does not \_\_\_\_\_ God, for \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_. In this the \_\_\_\_\_ of God was manifested toward us, that God sent His \_\_\_\_\_ begotten \_\_\_\_\_ into the world, that we might \_\_\_\_\_ through Him. In this is love, not that \_\_\_\_\_ loved God, but that \_\_\_\_\_ loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ one another." (Verse 13) "By this we \_\_\_\_\_ that we abide in Him, and He is us, because He has \_\_\_\_\_ us of His \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Romans 5:5** "Now hope does not disappoint, because the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ has been poured out in our \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ who was \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_."

**6:1.** Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, **YOU who are SPIRITUAL** restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, **CONSIDERING YOURSELF lest you also be TEMPTED.**

**Definition: "YOU who are SPIRITUAL"** - To describe someone as "spiritual" in the biblical sense means a person whose life is under the control of the Holy Spirit, and not their own flesh. If we are going to try to restore a brother or sister who has fallen

into sin ("overtaken in any trespass"), we'd better not be in the flesh, or we will make the whole situation worse! **Those who are trying to restore another Christian who has fallen into sin MUST BE under the complete control of God's Holy Spirit** in order to give godly advice that will help the one who is being counseled.

- **Romans 8:6-7** "For to be carnally \_\_\_\_\_ is death, but to be \_\_\_\_\_ is life and \_\_\_\_\_. Because the \_\_\_\_\_ is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be."
- **I Corinthians 2:14-16** "But the natural (unsaved) man does not receive (understand) the things of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, for they are \_\_\_\_\_ to him; nor can he \_\_\_\_\_ them, because they are \_\_\_\_\_ discerned. But he who is \_\_\_\_\_ judges \_\_\_\_\_ things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. For 'Who has known the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord that he may instruct Him?' But we have the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Colossians 3:1-2** "If then you were \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ, seek those \_\_\_\_\_ which are \_\_\_\_\_, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your \_\_\_\_\_ on things \_\_\_\_\_, and not on things on the \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "CARNALLY MINDED"** - "Carnal" means "of the flesh." To "be carnally minded" means to **THINK** like the **UNSAVED** people **think**, thinking only of material, fleshly things. It is the **OPPOSITE** of a person who is **CONTROLLED** by or '**FILLED WITH**' the Holy Spirit (spiritually minded).

- **I Corinthians 3:1 & 3** "And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to \_\_\_\_\_ people, but as to \_\_\_\_\_, as to babes in Christ." (Verse 3) "For you are still \_\_\_\_\_. For where there are \_\_\_\_\_, strife (fighting), and divisions among you, are you not \_\_\_\_\_ and behaving like mere men?"

**Definition: "ENMITY"** - Hostility, being an **enemy**. We are enemies of God when we are "carnally minded" and allowing our flesh to be in control.

**Definition: "CONSIDERING YOURSELF lest you also be TEMPTED"** - Again, if we are going to try to restore a brother or sister who has fallen into sin, we'd better not be in the flesh, or we will make the whole situation worse, and possibly fall into sin ourselves! Those who are trying to restore another Christian who has fallen into sin **MUST BE** under the complete control of God's Holy Spirit in order to keep themselves from falling into the very same sin. And, if the counselor is not tempted to fall into the very same sin, he or she may be tempted and fall into the sin of judgmentalism, self-righteousness, pride, gossip, and any number of other sins of the flesh.

- **James 1:14-15** "But each one is \_\_\_\_\_ when he is drawn away by his own \_\_\_\_\_ and enticed (tricked). Then, when \_\_\_\_\_ has conceived, it gives birth to \_\_\_\_\_, and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth \_\_\_\_\_."