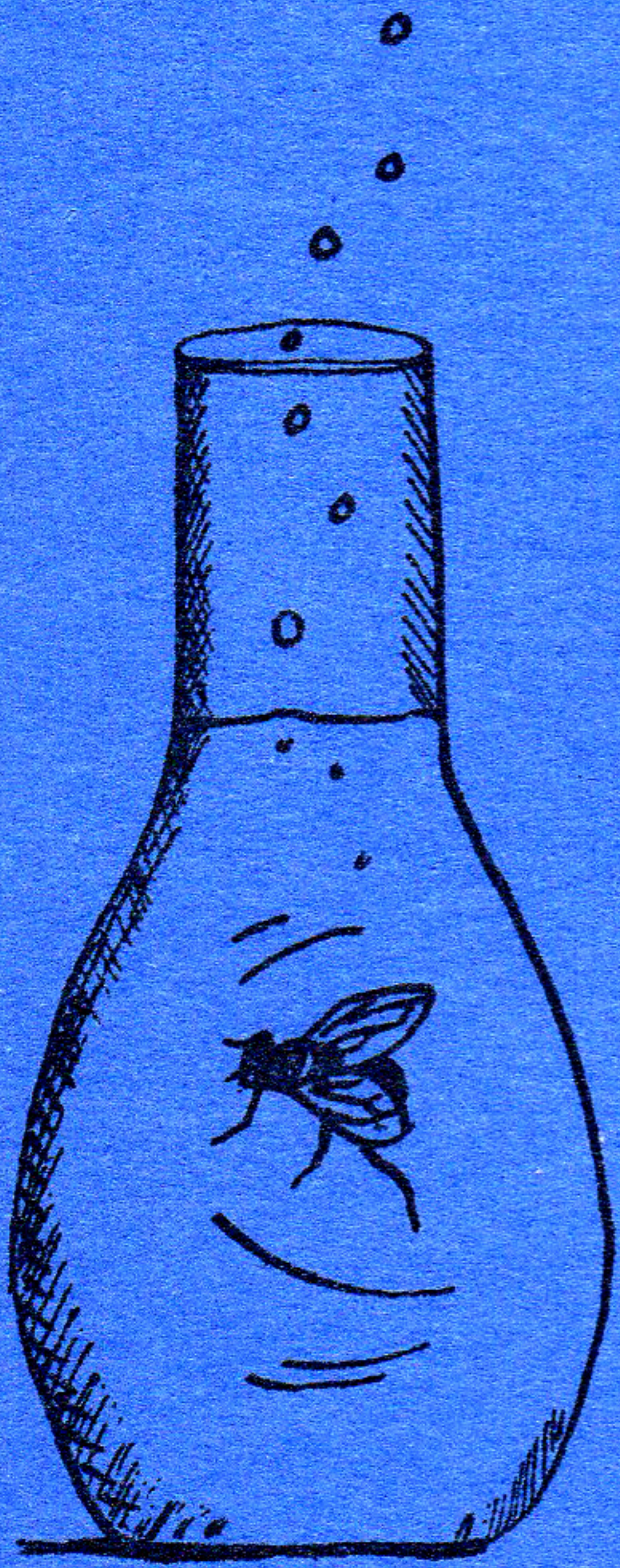


# WAR INSIDE THE NEW CREATION



**A Battle Between  
Spirit and Flesh**



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"I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man; but I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

O wretched man that I am!"

The Apostle Paul in Romans 7:21-24

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**NOTE:**

*Each of these lessons was taped as Pastor Vic originally taught them.*



# Lesson 1

## WHO OR WHAT AM I?

### A. I Pet. 2:9-12

1. Verse 9 says you are:
  - a. "chosen" = select, special, favorite
  - b. "royal" = child of the king
  - c. "holy" = pure, without stain or sin
  - d. "peculiar" = purchased, possessed
2. God's purpose in you is:
  - a. "shew forth His praises" (9)
  - b. "be conformed to image of Christ" (Rom. 8:29)
  - c. Do what Jesus did
    1. John 1:4-5 be light
    2. John 1:14&18 show God
    3. John 14:9 see me, see Father
3. New birth changed you (10)
  - a. Mercy of God made you new
  - b. Old passed away (II Cor. 5:17)
4. War not over (11-12)
  - a. Abstain from fleshly lusts
  - b. They war against the new creature inside you - life of God
  - c. Our external life must bear witness to Jesus (12)

### B. I Pet. 4:1-7

1. Sin loses its power when the flesh suffers (1)
2. Don't live like you used to (2)
3. You're different now (3)



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4. Old friends won't understand (4-5)
5. We judge fleshly sin dead (6)
6. Be alert and watch (7)

### C. Eph. 2:1-10

1. Our former life (1-3)
  - a. Our flesh is body and mind - our senses and natural animal desires (3)
  - b. Doing what comes naturally to the senses without control is what brings the wrath of God (3)
2. God's mercy changed us when we believed on Jesus (4-9)
3. Now we are to walk a new way - in a new manner of life (10)



### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read I Cor. 3:1-4.

a. How did Paul address the Corinthians in verse 1? \_\_\_\_\_

Were they believers or unbelievers, born again or not? \_\_\_\_\_

b. According to verse 1, to be carnal classifies a believer as a \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

c. Look up the word carnal in the dictionary and describe the spiritual condition of the Corinthians according to Paul.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

d. Carnal believers must be fed with \_\_\_\_\_ rather than \_\_\_\_\_. What does this mean? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

e. What works of the flesh were evident in these people?

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

f. To be carnal means that a Christian lives



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so much like an unbeliever that you can't tell them apart. (vs. 3) True or False

2. Read I Cor. 3:8-15.

- a. Our heavenly rewards are based on \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 8)
- b. Who do you belong to? Our building or body is whose? (vs. 9) \_\_\_\_\_
- c. The foundation of our new life is \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Our life, according to verses 10 & 12, is a construction project. Who determines what kind of building it becomes? \_\_\_\_\_
- e. What do you think the first part of verse 13 means? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- f. What kind of works will survive the judgement of fire? \_\_\_\_\_
- g. What kind of works will be burnt up? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- h. What kind of church building does God dwell in? (vs. 16) \_\_\_\_\_

3. According to Romans 8:6, to be carnally minded will bring about \_\_\_\_\_.  
What do you think it means to be carnally minded? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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4. Read I John 2:14-17.

a. Can a man love the things of the flesh and love God too? (vs. 15) \_\_\_\_\_

b. What happens to those that build their life on worldly things and fleshly lusts and desires? (vs. 16-17) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

c. To live forever we must \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 17)

5. According to Mark 4:19, giving in to the things of the flesh will have what effect on the Word of God in you? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Who is working inside you to perfect and mature you in Christ and give you the strength and ability to stand firm and build wisely on your foundation? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ See Phil. 2:13, Eph. 3:20  
and II Cor. 3:18.

7. How do we know that we have been born again?

a. Romans 8:16 \_\_\_\_\_

b. I Jn. 3:24 & 4:13 \_\_\_\_\_  
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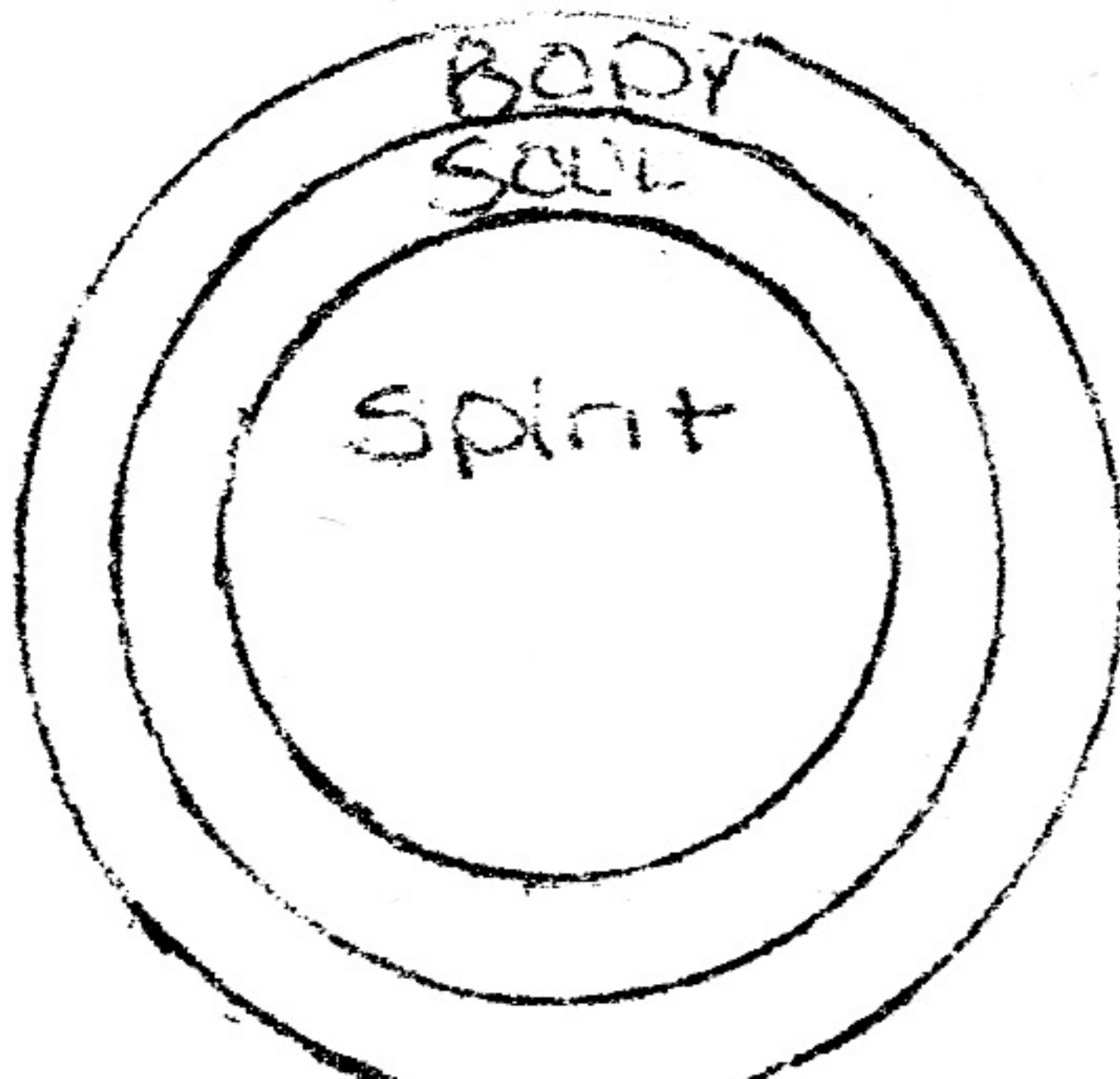
### HOW GOD MADE US

#### A. Gal. 5:16-25 The war within

1. Spirit is willing, flesh weak (Matt. 26:41)
2. The struggle explained (17)
  - a. Still can do both
  - b. Must choose and exercise our will continually, even though we are saved (see Gen. 2:17)
  - c. Our spirit (new in Jesus), and our flesh (corrupted by sin) are at enmity.
3. Following the spirit will keep your from fleshly lusts (16 & 18)
4. Works of the flesh (19 - 21)
  - a. Prevent the inheritance
  - b. Snuff out the spiritual life
5. Fruit (works) of the spirit (22-23)
  - a. Fulfill God's purposes in us. Make us like Jesus.
  - b. Keep us from sin (23)

#### B. Understanding yourself

1. Temple of God bought by Him (I Cor. 6:19-20, I. Pet. 1:13-20)
2. Three parts (I Thess. 5:23)





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3. One spirit with Jesus (I Cor. 6:17)
4. Work out salvation (Phil. 2:12, of soul and body)
5. Flesh is body and soul or mind (Eph. 2:3)
6. Carnal or sensual mind is against God (Rom. 8:5-10) Only you can do something about it.
7. Present body and renew mind (Rom. 12:1-2)
8. Rom. 7:15-25 Jesus will deliver if we want Him to.



STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read Gal. 3:1-3 and 4:19.
  - a. How did these Christians begin their new life? How were they born anew? (See John 3:5 for help.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. According to 3:3, Paul asks if they are planning to mature (made perfect) by the flesh. What does he mean? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - c. What is Paul praying for in 4:19? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Read Gal. 5:17. Put this into your own words. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. According to Gal. 5:16, there is a way to avoid a life ruled by the flesh. What is it and what does it mean? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How can you "walk in the spirit"? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. List 10 works (or fruit) of the flesh life. (See Gal. 5:19-21.) Identify each also in your own words.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_



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- b. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- e. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- f. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- g. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- h. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- i. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- j. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

6. List the 9 works (or fruit) of the re-created spirit. (See Gal. 5:22-23.)  
Identify each also in your own words.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- e. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- f. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- g. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- h. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- i. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

7. According to Eph. 2:3, a man's carnality or fleshly nature stems from what two aspects of his being? \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Name the three parts of the human person as Paul identifies there in Thess. 5.  
Note the order.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

9. Read Romans 7:15-25.

- a. Put Paul's problem in your own words.
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b. What is the solution he found? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Lesson 3

### SPIRITUAL OR CARNAL

A. Born again but not spiritual (I Cor. 3:1-15)

1. These Corinthians were "brethren" (vs 1)
2. But they were carnal, not spiritual (vs 1)
3. Spirituality is not:
  - a. Making a show of religion (James 1:26-27)
  - b. Manifesting the spiritual gifts (I Cor. 1:7)
4. Spirituality is:
  - a. Being different from the worldly (I Cor 3:3)
  - b. A life that shows forth the nature and character of Jesus
  - c. A life identified by the works or fruit of the spirit (Gal. 5: 22-23)
5. Works or deeds motivated by and done in the spirit will survive eternally (I Cor. 3:12-14)
6. Carnal works or deeds motivated by and done in the flesh will burn away and be lost at judgement day (I Cor. 3:15)

B. The carnal mind (Romans 8:5-13)

1. Following after, thinking about and being motivated by carnal, worldly or several thoughts will produce death (5-6)



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- a. Death to the promises of God in this life (6)
    - b. Death to the eternal soul if left unchecked (13)
  2. The mind of man is not under God's control or dominion (7)
    - a. Individual believer with God's help must bring his mind under dominion of his spirit.
    - b. "Work out your own salvation" (Phil. 2:12-13, James 1:21)
  3. Living according to the dictates and demands of the flesh displeases God (8)
  4. A born-again believer does not have to obey his flesh if he doesn't want to (12)
- C. The flesh must be controlled by the believer (Rom. 12:1-2)
1. The physical body is to be presented to God by you in a pure condition now while you are alive for His use (1)
    - a. It belongs to him (I Cor. 6:19-20)
    - b. We present it acceptable to him
  2. The mind must be transformed by you. (2)
    - a. If left to its own devices it will conform to the world.
    - b. In a worldly (carnal) condition it cannot know God's will in given situations and cannot please him.



### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read James 1:12-17

- a. According to verse 13, God tempts us with fleshly desires to test us and strengthen us? True or False
- b. When a person is tempted, the temptation appeals to \_\_\_\_\_. (verse 14).
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when the lust (temptation) has conceived or been given life through acting on the temptation. (vs. 15) Note that the temptation itself is not sin; acting on it is the sin.
- e. What error is James referring to in verse 16? See also vs. 13 and 17 for insight. \_\_\_\_\_

2. Read Hebrews 2:14-18.

- a. To whom did this passage refer? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Why did Jesus become flesh?
  1. According to vs. 14? \_\_\_\_\_

2. According to vs. 17? \_\_\_\_\_

3. According to vs. 18? \_\_\_\_\_



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c. Through His death what did Jesus do to the devil? (vs. 14) \_\_\_\_\_

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d. What did He do for us? (vs. 15) \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Read Luke 10:17-19.

a. What does vs. 19 mean to you? \_\_\_\_\_

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b. What weapon given to us by the Lord causes Satan and his demons to be subject to us and gives us power over temptation? \_\_\_\_\_

c. List any and all names which are stronger than Jesus. See Phil. 2: 9-11 for help. \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Read the story in Luke 11:14-22. (Beelzebub is another name for Satan.)

a. To whom do you think Jesus is referring as the "strong man" in vs. 21?

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b. Who is the "stronger than he" referred to in verse 22?

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c. When the stronger overcomes him what happened to all the so-called strong



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man's authority and ability? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Read Luke 11:24-26.

a. When a person is set free from Satan's power and bondage by faith in Jesus Christ, Satan will forever leave him alone? True or False

b. What will happen to a believer who does not purposefully, actively, and aggressively fill his house (life) with the things of God but leaves it empty? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Read Luke 11:34-36.

a. What bodily organ can and will Satan use to try to bring your life back into darkness? \_\_\_\_\_

b. What can you do to prevent him? \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Read II Samuel 11:2. What one word illustrates the principle which Jesus taught here? \_\_\_\_\_



## Lesson 4

### THE ENEMY'S PLAN

#### A. Warning to believers

1. I Pet. 5:8-9. Be sober, vigilant
2. James 4:7 Resist the devil
3. Eph. 6:10 Be strong in the Lord
4. Eph. 6:12 A wrestling match with Satan

#### B. How Satan works on us (Rom. 7:14-25)

1. Read entire section.
2. Two laws at work (25)
  - a. Law of sin - in the flesh
  - b. Law of God (Spirit) in the inner man
3. Sin operates through the flesh (17-18)
4. Uncontrolled flesh is a hindrance to doing the will of God (18 & 21)
5. Satan (evil) is always present to prevent us from doing right (21)
6. Satan's purpose is to bring us into captivity using our fleshly desires as his doorway (23).

#### C. Sin no more

1. We're delivered from sin's power (Col. 1: 12-13)



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2. Our sins are forgiven (Col. 1:14, Col. 2:13, I Jn. 2:12)
3. God's purpose is that we sin no more (I Jn. 2:1)
  - a. If we do, Jesus is still our Advocate (I Jn. 2:1-2)
  - b. Our new life inside is evident on the outside by our not sinning and obeying God (I Jn. 2:3-4)
4. We are not condemned but instructed not to go back to sinning (Jn. 8:11)
5. More sin will bring us down (Jn. 5:14)
6. Satan's plan is to tempt us in our flesh, get us to sin, and thereby destroy us. (John 10:10)

### D. Examples from scripture

1. Adam and Eve (Gen. 2:16-17, 3:1-6)
2. Esau (Gen. 25:29-34)
3. David
  - a. II Sam. 11&12 Bathsheba
  - b. I Chron. 21:1-4 Numbering Israel
4. Moses (Numbers 20:7-12)
5. Jesus (Luke 4:1-4)



### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read Romans 8:1-4.
  - a. Should a Christian ever be under condemnation? (yes or no)
    1. What type of living or life style will bring and keep a believer under condemnation according to verse 1?

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2. What type of living will keep a believer free from condemnation?

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- b. Name the two laws described in this passage that operate in a born-again person's life.
  1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Which law produces life in us and which one leads to death?
  1. Life \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Death \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Which law is stronger, more powerful, and able to dominate if we yield to it?

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- e. The Old Testament law of Moses referred to in verse 3 was able to set men free



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because it was strong, depending on the spirit. True or False

1. What did this law depend upon?  
(flesh or spirit) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the flesh strong or weak when it comes to obeying God and doing the will of God? \_\_\_\_\_

f. According to vs. 3, Jesus came in the flesh for the purpose of destroying sin's power over the flesh and thereby its control over us. The flesh can no longer force us to do what we don't want to do. True or False.

g. Verse 4 tells us that we can now obey God's laws and please him (fulfill the righteousness of the law) by

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2. In Romans 6:12 Paul tells us that sin will \_\_\_\_\_ (be in control) in your \_\_\_\_\_ if you let it or permit it to do so. Sin will dominate your body or flesh through \_\_\_\_\_ (sundry pressing desires) if you obey them.

3. Who is the father or source of these lusts? See John 8:44. \_\_\_\_\_

4. In Titus 3:3, those who obey their various fleshly desires (serve diverse lusts and pleasures) are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Titus 2:12 tells us to \_\_\_\_\_ worldly lusts. What does this mean to you?



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6. II Tim. 2:22 tells us to \_\_\_\_\_ youthful lusts. What does this mean to you?
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7. According to I Tim. 6:9, yielding to temptation and the lusts of the flesh causes men to fall into a snare and will eventually drown them in destruction. True or False
8. The verse (I Tim. 6:9) describes lusts as \_\_\_\_\_. Is there any benefit to them? \_\_\_\_\_
9. In order to stop sinning the flesh must be made to \_\_\_\_\_. See I Pet. 4:1-2.
10. When the flesh suffers and dies, it has no life to yield to sin. True or False



## Lesson 5

### TO DIE IS TO LIVE

#### A. The flesh is insatiable

1. Eccl. 6:7 Appetite not filled
2. Prov. 23:20-21 Poverty
3. Prov. 16:32 Not easy to subdue

#### B. God's answer -- crucifixion

1. Gal. 5:24 Crucify the flesh and its works--they will not rob you of the benefits of the kingdom.
2. Romans 8:13-14 Life comes by killing fleshly deeds.
3. Col. 3:5-7 Mortify fleshly desires.
4. Matt. 16:24-27
  - a. "Deny self"--say no to the flesh
  - b. "Take up cross"--put fleshly desires to death
  - c. "Follow me"--be like Jesus and give no place to flesh.
  - d. "Save life shall lose it"--gratify flesh and lose heaven and earthly benefits.
  - e. "Lose life shall find it"--deny flesh and experience the fulness of God's inheritance.
  - f. What benefit if you gratify every fleshly lust and experience every earthly pleasure and lose your eternal life?



- g. The flesh must be put to death. It is an absolute necessity.
- 5. Matt. 5:29-30 Serious business
  - a. An uncontrolled and unrestrained flesh will take you to hell.
  - b. The flesh must be put to death. It is an absolute necessity.
- 6. Death brings forth life.
  - a. When the flesh is alive and healthy and strong, it will overpower the new creation spirit within.
  - b. As the flesh dies, the spirit and its fruit will grow.
  - c. John 12:23-26
    - 1. Fruit comes through death (23-24)
    - 2. The life of God (spirit) is produced through the death of the flesh (25).
  - d. Jesus in Gethsemane
    - 1. Matt. 26:36 Death to his soul
    - 2. Luke 22:44 His flesh sweat blood at the prospect of death.
  - e. The full revelation of his position as the Son of God was only manifest as his flesh was crucified (John 17:1-5).
  - f. The cross was not the only crucifixion, but the final one. (Heb. 2:10, 5:8-9)



### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read Romans 8:17 and Mark 10:35-40.
    - a. According to Romans 8:17, we will inherit equally with Jesus and be glorified with Him if we suffer with Him. True or False
    - b. Do you think this could refer to the suffering experienced in the flesh when the desires and lusts of our flesh are denied? \_\_\_\_\_
    - c. Do you see a relationship between this kind of suffering in a believer's life and the suffering Jesus experienced in His flesh on the cross? \_\_\_\_\_
    - d. In the account in Mark, what was Jesus referring to by the "cup" and the "Baptism"? \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Read Romans 6.
    - a. What death is referred to in vs. 3? See vs. 2. \_\_\_\_\_
    - b. Since we are vicariously crucified with Jesus, the power of sin in our flesh is now destroyed. In other words, sin is not stronger than we are in Christ. (vs. 4-6) True or False
    - c. We are freed from sin by \_\_\_\_\_ (verse 7).
    - d. What does that mean to you? \_\_\_\_\_
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e. According to verse 8, since sin's power in the flesh is dead, whom should our life resemble and emulate?

\_\_\_\_\_

f. Who has control over whether you sin or not? (vs. 12-14) \_\_\_\_\_

g. How can you determine whose servant you are? (vs. 16) \_\_\_\_\_

h. What is the outcome or end result if we continue in our old sins? (vs. 17-21)

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i. What is the end result when we yield ourselves only to God and serve Him? (vs. 22).

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j. According to verse 23:

1. The payoff for continuing in sin is

\_\_\_\_\_.

2. God's gift to the believer is

\_\_\_\_\_ thru \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Read James 2:14-26 and Matt. 7:13-23. What do these passages mean as it relates to this study? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Lesson 6

# SUFFERING & SELF-CONTROL

A. Suffering in the flesh is part of God's plan.

1. Greek = a painful experience
2. "According to the will of God" (I Peter 4:19)
3. Just like Jesus did (I Pet. 4:13)
4. "In the flesh" (I Pet. 4:1)

B. What suffering produces in us

1. Destroys sin by dealing death to the flesh (I Pet. 4:1-2, Rom. 6:6-10)
2. Produces perfection---completeness or maturity (I Pet. 5:10)
3. Produces God's glory in us (Rom. 8:18, I Pet. 4:12-19)
4. Produces obedience in the outward or carnal man as well as in the inner or spirit man (Rom. 6:12-19, 7:14-23, Gal. 5:17,24)

C. Example of Jesus

1. Destroy sin through death (Mark 9:12, Rom. 8:3)
2. Produce perfection (Heb. 2:10, 5:8-9)



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3. Produce God's glory (Luke 24:25-26, Acts 26:23, John 17:5)
  4. Produces obedience (Heb. 5:7-8)
- D. Why is death through suffering in the flesh so important?
1. Satan and his power (the power of sin) is destroyed or rendered impotent in us (Heb. 2:14, I Pet. 4:1, Rom. 6:6).
  2. The life of Christ is manifest in us (Gal. 2:20, II Cor. 4:7-12).
  3. When death occurs, there is no feeling left. We can no longer be hurt by reproach, persecution and the attacks of Satan through others.
  4. Crucifixion causes the flesh to suffer, die, and lose its ability to influence or dictate our behavior.
  5. Matt. 27:46 gives insight in how it feels to suffer crucifixion.
- E. The importance of temperance
1. Self-control or self-restraint
  2. Temperance is the ability and willingness to say "NO".
  3. Paul's testimony (I Cor. 9:24-27)
    - a. We're in a race, so run to win (24).
    - b. Temperance is necessary for victory. To be a winner, you must have self-control (25).



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- c. It's a fight, but we're not boxing air. We know what the problem is and who the enemy is and how he works (26).
- d. "I keep my body (flesh) under control and subjection of my spirit" (27).
- e. Therefore I know I shall never be lost but I'm going to win (27).



### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read Phillippians 3:3-15.

a. In verse 3, Paul testifies that he has no \_\_\_\_\_ in his \_\_\_\_\_.

b. Rather (according to vs. 7) he counts all fleshly accomplishments and gratifications as \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.

c. For what was Paul willing to exchange all his carnal achievements?

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d. In verse 10, Paul declares his intense desire to \_\_\_\_\_ him, and the power of his resurrection, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of his \_\_\_\_\_, being made comfortable unto his \_\_\_\_\_.

e. Put verse 10 in your own words. What exactly is Paul saying? \_\_\_\_\_

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f. In verse 12, Paul admits he is not yet perfect or completely mature in Christ. What is he doing about it according to

1. Verse 13 \_\_\_\_\_

2. Verse 14 \_\_\_\_\_

g. What does he urge other believers (including us) to do in the first part of verse 15? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. In II Cor. 1:3-7, the Apostle Paul gives more exhortation about suffering and tribulation.

a. Who will comfort us in our tribulation?

\_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 3-4)

b. In how much of our tribulation will he comfort us? \_\_\_\_\_

c. He comforts us so that we will not continually wallow in our own misery, but rather will be strong to assist the others who are suffering. True or False

d. According to vs. 5, when our sufferings are on the increase, our \_\_\_\_\_ also \_\_\_\_\_ by Christ.

e. In other words, the more our flesh hurts through the suffering of self-denial and crucifixion, the more of God's compassion and strength He ministers to us. True or False

f. In verse 7, we are warned that whenever we partake of the sufferings, we cannot always be certain of God's consolation. True or False

3. Read Hebrews 2:18. Because Jesus experienced suffering being tested just as we are, He is able to \_\_\_\_\_ those who are tried. From a dictionary, what does this word mean? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. According to Hebrews 4:14-16.
- a. Jesus is seated high up in the heavens above it all and so remains untouched by our difficulties. True or False
  - b. He was \_\_\_\_\_ tempted (tested) like as we are, yet without \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. What does that statement (4b) mean?
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- d. How are we instructed to come to the throne of grace? \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. What will we receive when we ask Him for help in our sufferings? \_\_\_\_\_
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5. Another word for temperance is \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Temperance is a work or fruit of the \_\_\_\_\_.
7. According to I Cor. 9:27, failure to control the flesh can result ultimately in being cast away forever, regardless of the good works done previously. True or False
8. Referring to Matt. 5:29-30, an uncontrolled flesh will take the whole person into \_\_\_\_\_.
9. What was Jesus' remedy for an unruly



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member? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Would His solution be painful and cause suffering? Yes or No



## Lesson 7

### WHERE THE VICTORY IS

#### A. Overcoming power given to believers

1. I Jn. 2:14 "Ye have overcome"
2. I Jn. 3:8 Jesus destroyed works of Satan.
3. I Jn. 4:4 Greater one in you
4. I Jn. 5:4 Overcome the world (Faith means acting on God's Word.)
5. I Jn. 5:18 Wicked one toucheth him not---if he keepeth himself.

#### B. Make a decision

1. Exercise your will - free moral agent. Created and re-created with power to choose.
2. Deut. 30:15-20 Choose life
3. Josh. 24:15 Who will you serve.
4. Rom. 6:16 & 13 Servant of whom you yield to
5. Heb. 12:1 Let us lay aside
6. Col. 3:1-10 Set your affections

#### C. Study and know the Word of God.

1. I Pet. 2:1-3 New babes



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2. Heb. 4:12 Word discerns flesh from spirit
3. Rom. 1:16 Word is God's power. Jesus used it.
4. Eph. 6:17 Word is a Sword
5. Ps. 119:9-11 Word prevents sin

### D. Walk in the Spirit (Gal. 5:16)

1. Do what the Word says. Matt. 7:24-27, James 1:21-25
2. Rom. 8:2 Law of Spirit of life is higher law

### E. Use the power of Holy Spirit

1. Acts 1:8 Receive power
2. Phil. 2:13 God in you
3. Eph. 3:20 Power in you
4. II Cor. 3:18 Holy Spirit will change you.

### F. Believe you can win (faith)

1. You don't have to fall (I Cor. 10:13, Rom. 8:9-12)
2. James 1:12 Stand ground
3. I Jn. 5:4 Faith is victory
4. Eph. 6:16 Shield of faith



**STUDY QUESTIONS**

1. Read Matt. 4:1-11.
  - a. Who is referred to here as "the temptor"? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Through what facet of Jesus' being did Satan tempt Him? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. What did Jesus use to gain the victory over the devil? \_\_\_\_\_
2. According to Eph. 6:17 God's Word is the \_\_\_\_\_  
We use it to wage offensive and defensive war on the devil.
3. Read John 6:63.
  - a. The Word of God is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Walking or living in the Spirit then would be walking or living in the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. What does this mean to you? \_\_\_\_\_

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- d. What profit or benefit is the flesh and its desires to your spiritual well-being? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Read Ephesians 4:17.
  - a. According to this passage, when you



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made Jesus the Lord of your life,  
you lost the free will to choose  
between good and evil. True or False

- b. A Christian is to "put off" the manner  
of life of the old man (vs. 22).  
Explain this. \_\_\_\_\_
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- c. The lusts of the flesh are \_\_\_\_\_  
(vs. 22). What does that mean and why  
is it important that you realize this  
truth? \_\_\_\_\_
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- d. Explain what verse 24 means when it says:  
"put on the new man". \_\_\_\_\_
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- e. In verse 25 through 31, numerous works  
of the flesh are identified. List 5  
of them.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

- f. Giving in to temptation and responding  
to these fleshly lusts gives place in  
our lives to the \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 27)



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5. According to John 13:34, Jesus gave us one all-inclusive commandment. What is it?
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6. Read Romans 13:8-14.

a. If a person walks in love, can he do hurt or harm to another? (verse 10)

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b. Love \_\_\_\_\_ or satisfies all the law of God. (vs. 8 & 10)

c. Verse 14 encourages us to give ourselves totally and completely to Jesus and abandon our own personal desires. We are to seek to please Him in everything. To not make provision for the flesh is to \_\_\_\_\_



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Frank Bartleman in his  
book "Azusa Street"