WALKING IN THE SPIRIT: Part One



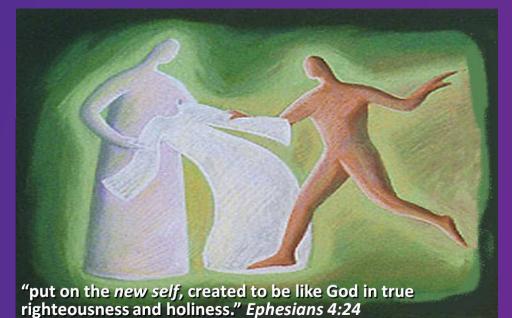
ONE OF THE MOST COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS IS HOW DO WE WALK IN THE SPIRIT.
WE MUST COME OUT OF THE WORLD AND BE SEPARATE. THE SAME WAY THE WORLD HAD NOTHING IN JESUS ALSO WITH US. WE MUST REALISE THAT TO HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH THE WORLD IS ENMITY WITH GOD. THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS NOT OF THIS WORLD, IT IS SPIRITUAL.

John 14:15-31 (KJV)

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.



2 Corinthians 5:17

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

QUESTION IS HOW DO WE WALK WITH THIS NEW MIND, CREATED IN TRUE RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLINESS?

JESUS' PROMISE THAT THE SPIRIT WOULD LED US

John 16:13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

Jesus the True Shepherd JOHN 10

I "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door, but climbs up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. 2 But he who enters by the door is the sheepherd of the sheep. 3 To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. 5 Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." 6 Jesus used this illustration, but they did not understand the things which He spoke to them.

John 5:30

30 I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me.

The New covenant brought the Holy Spirit to now fill us so we could have the same relationship Jesus had with the father, we are not under the law but the Spirit of Liberty

WALKING IN FLESH & WALKING IN THE SPIRIT?



ROMANS 8 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

SO WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO?

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. 2 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

This is IDOLATRY.

Walking in the flesh is to be carnally minded.

We are not being led by God and instead trusting in ourselves.

THIS GUY IS IN THE FLESH
NOT LED BY THE SPIRIT!

CARNALLY MINDED

THIS WOMAN IS IN THE SPIRIT
ABIDING AND RESTING IN HIS
POWER AND WALKING IN HIS
ANOINTING.

1 Corinthians 1:18
[Christ the Wisdom and Power of God] For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

By trying to be righteous in ourselves by trying to keep the law whatever that may be. A lot of Christians even attempt this by keeping Old Covenant law.

WALKING IN FLESH & WALKING IN THE SPIRIT?



Love Fulfills the Law

GALATIANS 5 v.13 For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

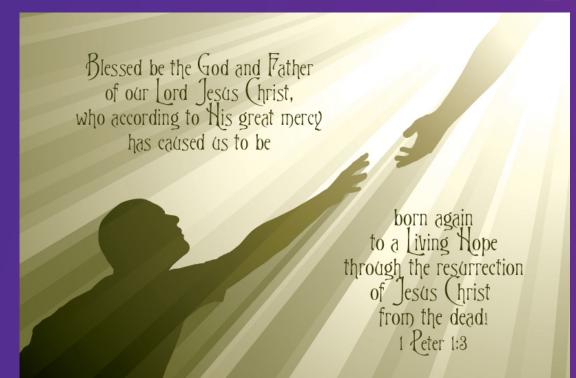
- 14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- 15 But if you bite and devour one another,

Walking in the Spirit

GALATIANS 5 v. 16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

- 17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.
- 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

JOHN 6 V.63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.



MANKIND BEFORE HE IS BORN AGAIN



ADAM'S SEED

SATAN the world

OF SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS

flesh Depraved

Adam's seed The soul A slave to sin

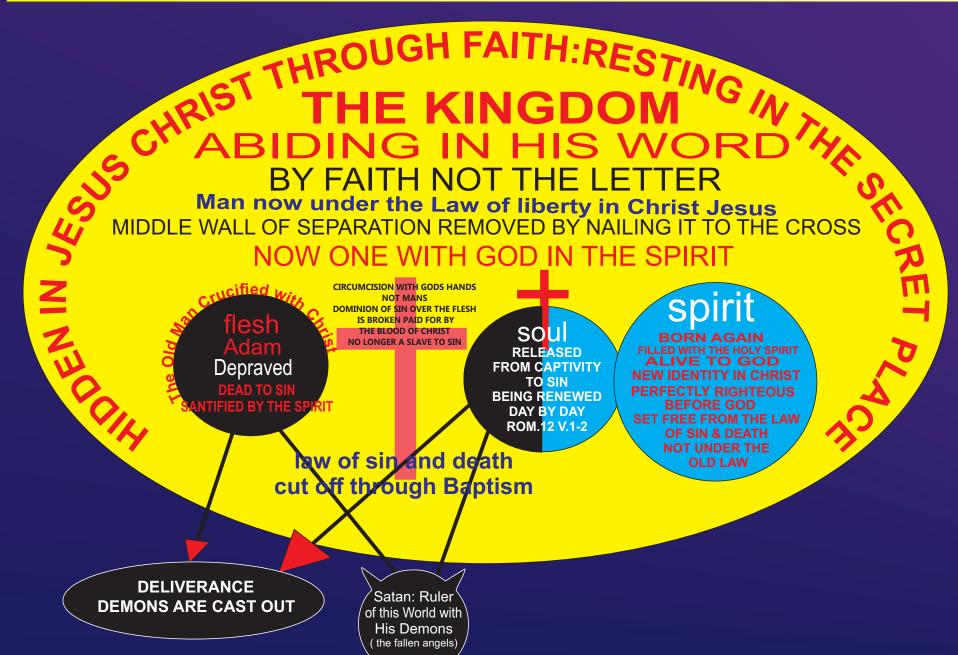
THE SPIRIT Dead

separation. The curse of the law

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MANKIND AFTER HE IS BORN AGAIN (FROM ABOVE)





THE SEED OF CHRIST.

-WE ARE NOW IN CHRIST -WALKING BY FAITH IN THE FINISHED WORK OF CALVARY -NO LONGER LED BY SELF, **BUT BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD** -WE ARE NOW KINGS WITH HIS **RIGHTEOUSNESS & AUTHORITY** -JESUS IS NOW OUR PEACE, & HE IS NOW OUR SABBATH. -NOW CALLED SONS OF GOD -HEIRS WITH CHRIST. -NO LONGER SLAVES TO SIN OR THE LAW. -NOW LED BY THE SPIRIT.... NOT THE LETTER.

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FAITH IS THE KEY TO WALKING IN THE SPIRIT



The Just Live by Faith

ROMANS 1v.16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith;

as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

2 CORINTHIANS 4 v.17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, 18 while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.



LEARNING TO SEE WITH THE EYES OF OUR SPIRIT BY FAITH

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The New Man

EPHESIANS 4v. 17 This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, 18 having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; 19 who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20 But you have not so learned Christ, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

GALATIANS 3 V.27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.



ROMANS 13 v14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

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OUR FOUNDATION FOR BEING LED BY THE SPIRIT



HEBREWS 10 v.16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds I will write them," 17 then He adds, "Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more." 18 Now where there is remission of these, there is no longer an offering for sin.

Christ Our Peace

EPHESIANS 2 v.14 For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation,

15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace,

16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.

17 And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near.

18 For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.



Our way to heaven is by a crucified Saviour; his death is to us the way of life, and to those who believe this, he will be precious.

FAITH ACTIVATES THE SPIRIT IN OUR LIVES



Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Hold Fast Your Confession

HEBREWS 10 v19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, 21 and having a High Priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.



NO FAITH... NO SPIRIT