Galatians Lesson 9-2-2018

1. Last week I exegeted Gal 5:16 by way of the *Doctrine of Walking*. When time expired we had just begun an analysis of Gal 5:17 by way of the *Doctrine of the Old Sin Nature*.

- 2. Before continuing, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.
- 3. Here is an expanded translation of Gal 5:13-16.

Expanded Translation

Gal 5:13 But you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, you were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge your sinful natures; but in contrast you must by means of Bible Doctrine resident in your souls serve one another.

Gal 5:14 For the entire Mosaic Law can be summed up in a single command "You must love your neighbor as yourself."

Gal 5:15 Now my brothers and sisters in Christ if you reject the command to love one another but instead, you keep on hating and speaking ill against one another, such conduct will no doubt end up destroying the entire church.

Gal 5:16 Clearly, if you rebound when necessary and consistently take in the Word of God, you will not carry out the desires of the flesh.

4. Let's return to the exegesis of verse seventeen.

KJV-New Sentence

Gal 5:17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

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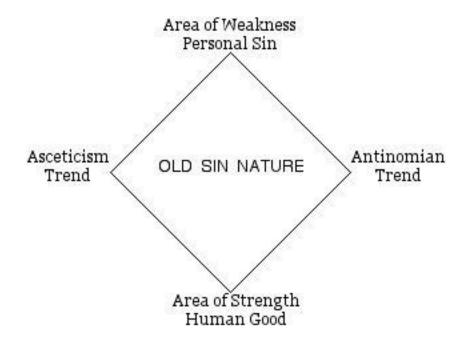
Gal 5:17 For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

Doctrine of the Old Sin Nature

1. Every positive believer is a soldier engaged in a battle for control of his very own soul.

Rom 7:22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: Rom 7:23 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.

2. The enemy is not outside the wire, the enemy resides within -- The Old Sin Nature.

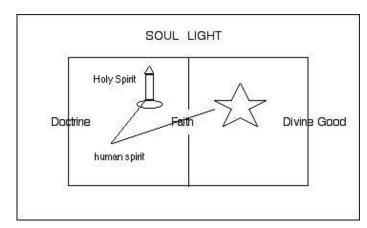


3. The decision is ours; will we use the grace assets God has provided? Or suffer defeat and become a casualty in the angelic conflict?

Rom 7:24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

4. The chief asset is a new creation; a new creature in Christ.

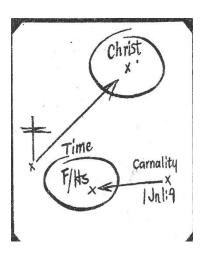
2Co 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.



5. Paul in Romans chapter seven repeatedly said, "although I am saved, I still have a problem for time." We too, keep our Old Sin Natures which repeatedly and often successfully temps us to sin.

1Jo 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 1Jo 1:10 If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.

6. God in His grace plan has provided not only positional sanctification but He also provided a technique for maintaining fellowship.



1Jo 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

7. We never lose our salvation but when we sin in time we lose certain privileges. One such privilege is happiness. There is a protocol for recovery. David was miserable until he followed God's protocol of confessing his sin. We are all little David's and must follow God's simple rules. Name sin to God as God the Holy Spirit reveals such to you.

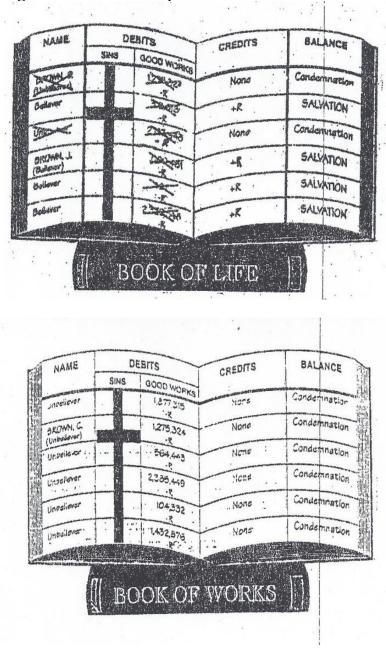
Psa 32:3 When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long ... Psa 32:5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD" -- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

8. Paul recognized that the Old Sin Nature is in control unless we transform the mind using our two power options.

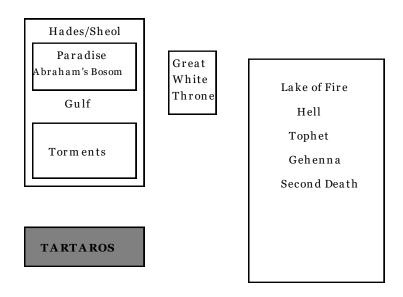
Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

8.1 The believer must "arm himself with the mind of Christ" and thus use the many promises in the Scripture.

- 9. Our very thinking process was evil from birth.
- 10. Human good, another phrase used of works are a real problem because the idea of working for Jesus is such an attraction to our Old Sin Natures.
- 11. Efforts at self-transformation are unacceptable to God and in fact it is the human good or self-transformation product that is judged at the Great White Throne where unbelievers are judged and cast into the permanent Lake of Fire.

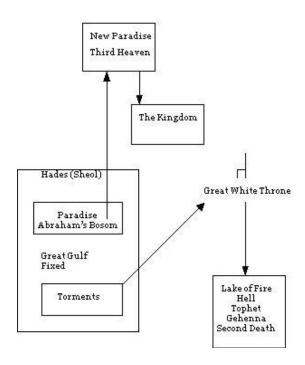


The Compartments of Hades



11.1 The souls of unbelievers are held temporarily in the torment side of **Sheol** where their souls are placed in special bodies (special in the sense it can suffer and suffer and suffer). They are held there until the end of the Millennium.

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11.2 In fact at the **Bema** (or reward seat of Christ for believers of the Church Age) human good is burned so as to keep the sorry stuff out of heaven.

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1Co 3:12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

1Co 3:13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

1Co 3:14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

1Co 3:15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

12. The only thing acceptable to God is divine good which is only produced by metabolized doctrine. Doctrine is the mind of Christ.

1Co 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

Phi 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

13. Divine good cannot be done by works, law keeping or simply using 1Jo 1:9. It can only be produced by Doctrine resident in a believer's soul.

Jam 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

Gal 3:11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, the just shall live by faith.

14. Paul in Rom 5:12 makes it clear that even if we could keep the law (which we can't) we would still be sentenced to hell because at birth we receive an imputation of Spiritual death. The object of this imputation is the Old Sin Nature genetically acquired at birth.

Rom 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

Rom 5:13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

Rom 5:14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

Jam 2:14 and 19 makes clear that deliverance be it for eternity or time must have an efficacious object for the transitive verb **Pisteuo**.

Pisteuo Christ = Eternal Salvation

Pisteuo Doctrine = Spiritual Maturity

Jam 2:14 " Now let me ask you this my fellow Jews, where is the benefit if any of you say: I have faith and yet this faith lacks inherent power to produce? Can faith without inherent power save you? The answer is a resounding no!"

Jam 2:19 Come now, many of you are self-righteous Deist who believe sincerely in One God; Oh, you do well, so you think and yet I tell you even the demons know there is one God and they tremble and shake in absolute terror."

15. James makes this clear by example when he uses two believers, Abraham and Rahab, as paradigms to illustrate deliverance is a product of faith.

Abraham:

Jam 2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

Jam 2:22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

Jam 2:23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

Jam 2:24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

Gen 12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

Gen 15:6 And he believed (Hiphil Perfect of the Hebrew **Aman**) in the LORD; and he counted (Kal Perfect of **Chashav**) it to him for righteousness.

Rahab:

Jos 2:9 And she said unto the men, I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.

Jos 2:10 For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were on the other side of Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.

Jos 2:11 And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

- 16. We should take heart from Paul's commentary on the war raging in his soul.
- 17. At the same time that Paul was delighting in the Law of Liberty he saw a different law in his members.
- 18. His true self, the born-again man, agreed with the law of God. But another law (the law of sin) brought him into captivity, making him a prisoner.
- 19. I want to close with a quote from Paul concerning his condition.

Rom 7:24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? Rom 7:25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

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