

PathWay Fellowship



How God Speaks

Part 4!

1 Corinthians 6:12-13

You may say, "I am allowed to do anything." But I reply, "Not everything is good for you." And even though "I am allowed to do anything," I must not become a slave to anything.

Action

Action is what transforms belief into faith – the kind of faith that pleases God.

Our Bodies

The <i>New Creation</i>	The <i>Old Man</i>
The Soul (mind and emotions) The Battlefield	
Our physical body : Enslaved to either the <i>New Creation</i> or the <i>Old Man</i> Resulting in what we say, where we go, what we do, and how we behave	

Galatians 5:17

The old sinful nature loves to do evil, which is just opposite from what the Holy Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are opposite from what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, and your choices are never free from this conflict.

Galatians 5:16

So I advise you to live according to your new life in the Holy Spirit. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.

Our Bodies

<i>The New Creation</i>	The <i>Old Man</i>
The Soul (mind and emotions) The Battlefield	
Our physical body: anger, pride, fear boasting, malice, gossip, lies, deceit, hostility, immorality, selfishness, hate, prejudice, etc.	

Romans 6:16

Don't you realize that whatever you choose to obey becomes your master?

Romans 8:5, 7-8

Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things. For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will. That's why those who are still under the control of their sinful nature can never please God.

Romans 7:14-24

The law is good, then. The trouble is not with the law but with me, because I am sold into slavery, with sin as my master. I don't understand myself at all, for I really want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do the very thing I hate. I know perfectly well that what I am doing is wrong, and my bad conscience shows that I agree that the law is good. But I can't help myself, because it is sin inside me that makes me do these evil things.

Romans 7:14-24

I know I am rotten through and through so far as my old sinful nature is concerned. No matter which way I turn, I can't make myself do right. I want to, but I can't. When I want to do good, I don't. And when I try not to do wrong, I do it anyway. But if I am doing what I don't want to do, I am not really the one doing it; the sin within me is doing it.

Romans 7:14-24

It seems to be a fact of life that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another law at work within me that is at war with my mind. This law wins the fight and makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin?

Romans 7:25

Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 8:12-13

So, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation whatsoever to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. For if you keep on following it, you will perish, But if through the power of the Holy Spirit you *turn* from it and its evil deeds, you will live.

Romans 8:2

For the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you through Christ Jesus from the power of sin that leads to death.

Romans 8:5-6

Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. If your sinful nature controls your mind, there is death. But if the Holy Spirit controls your mind, there is life and peace.

Proverbs 2:9-11

Then you will understand what is right, just, and fair, and you will know how to find the right course of action every time. For wisdom will enter your heart, and knowledge will fill you with joy. Wise planning will watch over you. Understanding will keep you safe