

“UNDERSTANDING HOW YOU CAN WALK BY THE SPIRIT” Part 2

SALVATION AND SANCTIFICATION (6:1 - 8:17)... Righteousness Reproduced

A. POWERFUL Sanctification. (8:1-17)

1. The power of the spiritual believer. (8:1-11)
 - a. No believer is now CONDEMNED to live their life in practical bondage to the sin nature because of their POSITION / IDENTIFICATION in/with Jesus Christ. (8:1-2)
 - b. Every believer has the power for practical victory and righteousness by means of the HOLY SPIRIT. (8:3-4)
 - 1) The *command* to be “filled with the Spirit.” (Ephesians 5:18)
 - 2) The *consequences* of the filling by the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:19-21)
 - 3) The *conflict* in walking in the Spirit. (Galatians 5:13-18)
 - 4) The *contrasts* in spirituality. (Galatians 5:19-26)
 - 5) The *conditions* to walk in the Holy Spirit.
- 6) **The clarification on spirituality.**

*Where does 1 John 1:9 fit in?

A believer is not spiritual, nor fruitful by...

- a) _____ – that is, by certain ascetic practices or by keeping certain taboos which are areas of Christian liberty or matters of growth and conscience. (Ephesians 5:18)
- b) _____ – that is, by comparing yourself with other believers, so as to think you are spiritual because your sins are more refined than others. (2 Cor. 10:12)
- c) _____ – that is, to think you are spiritual because you have asked to be filled with the Spirit or have spent so many minutes in prayer. (Ephesians 6:18)
- d) _____ – that is, by making yourself do certain things in order to be spiritual, instead of as a result of walking in the Spirit and growth. (Galatians 5:22)

- e) _____ – that is, assuming you are spiritual because of an experience you have had such as speaking in tongues, being slain by the Spirit, etc. (1 Corinthians 3:1-3)
- f) _____ – that is, assuming you are spiritual because you are living morally. (Revelation 3:14-21)
- g) _____ – that is, by seeking to copy the external behavior pattern of some great believer. (Colossians 3:16-17)
- h) _____ – that is, by thinking you are spiritual because you have participated in some ritual like water baptism or the Lord’s Supper. (1 Cor. 11:26-32)
- i) _____ – that is, thinking you are spiritual because you are trying to keep the law. (Galatians)
- j) _____ – that is, by trying to exorcize out of you “residential ancestral demons” or things like this. (Matthew 12:43-45)
- k) _____ – that is, by believing that you can never be out of fellowship with God. (1 John 1:3-10)
- l) _____ – that is, by thinking you are sinning all the time but that it does not really matter. (1 John 2:1-2)
- m) _____ – that is, by not participating in certain sins due to the pressure of others. (Colossians 3:23)
- n) _____ – that is, by keeping certain promises in an effort to be faithful to God. (Galatians 3:1-5)
- o) _____ – that is, by staying “busy for the Lord” in church activities. (Luke 10:38-42)
- p) _____ – that is, by asking God for forgiveness and seeking to try harder in the future. (Romans 12:1-2)

* What does all this mean to you?