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On July the 22nd, Albert and I got up early, had breakfast and he went outside to water the yard. I left to pick up Elsie and go to our Thursday morning sale, (swap-meet) where we buy our eggs, vegetables and fruit from the farmers. We arrived home about 10:30 a.m. Albert was lying on his bed and said he had had a heart attack over on the School ground while walking Joppy, our white poodle. How he got himself home is a miracle even tho' it is just across the road from us. Elsie phoned the Ambulance at once. He could talk a little. Evidently he did not fall down but sort of shuffled home. He looked very ashan. He was in Intensive care from Thursday till Sunday morning early 12:30 a.m. when he went to be with His Lord. He had been concious up till noon on Saturday and talked very quiet and labored. was hard to know what he was saying. I am sure he had a Triumphant entrance.

The Funeral was wonderful. Truly Charismatic with singing in the Spirit and a couple of prophecies. Many had never heard the like. The special singing was excellent, and Brother Patterson, whom we have known over twelve years truly pulled out all the stops and challenged us all to carry on the good work that Albert had started. The test was Romans 12: 1,2. Consecration, Dedication and Sepatation. Let's truly carry on the work and emphasize reading and studying the Word. Teach it every opportunity you can get --- I will. There were over 300 at the funeral. It was a joyous time in that one of God's Warrior's had completed his Course which had influenced many lives and been a great blessing, was now Coming Home. We will miss him. But let's keep up the good work until we can go to him.

Edith R. Grimes

"NEW CREATIONS"

By Dr. Albert Grimes

2 Cor. 5:17 "Old things are passed away"

Many believers are yet enslaved with the Old Nature. The type of teaching we receive on the subject does not seem to give any release to the Children of God.

In this study we intend to look into the subject and deal with what we think is the problem and expose it; in order that we can understand the simple truths of a complete deliverance from the flesh as we apply the truths we find in 2 Cor. 5:17 "Therefore if any man be in Christ---."

It is absolutely necessary that we understand what is meant by this statement "in Christ." We must understand that it is speaking of our identification with Christ when I accepted Him as my Savior.

The believer is in union with Christ and Christ is in union with the believer. This union is closely knit together so that it is likened unto the unity of the Godhead; of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

In John 17:21-23 it reads: "That they all may be one as thou Father art in Me and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us; that the world may believe that thou has sent Me. And the glory which Thou gavest Me I have them that they may be one, even as We are one. I in them and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that thou has sent Me, and hast loved them, as Thou hast loved Me."

It is understandable that with such a oneness in Christ and in the Father we become new creations in Christ.

The principle is new creations; this unity is brought forth through Salvation or regeneration; one who is one with Christ and the Father and Spirit.

This new creation is a complete new man. This new man is spoken of in scripture in Eph. 4:24 "And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

The new man is the regenerated man, as distinguished from the old man: Rom. 6:6 brings this out, "Knowing this that our old man is crucified with him." The corrupt human nature, just fit for death.

The new man is a partaker of the Divine Life and nature of Christ is related in Col. 3:10. "And have out on the new man that is renewed in knowledge, after the image of him that created him." In 2 Peter 1:4 it says "be partakers of the Divine nature."

This new man is complete by being created new in Christ, as in 2 Cor. 5:17 "is a new creation", or a new creature. Also in Gal. 6:15 "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything nor uncircumcision but a new creature", or creation.

We are His workmanship as stated in Eph. 2:10 "For we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them". Again in Col. 3:10 "And have put on the new man that is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him."

This new man is Christ Created in the Christian as Gal. 2:20 reads, "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live yet not I, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me", His life, His strength and His power.

In Gal. 4:19 it says "My little children of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in You." Then in Col. 1:27 "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles which is Christ in you, the hope of glory". Again in 1 John 4:12 "No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another God dwelleth in us; and His love is perfected in us. So through this new man we have union with the Son and with the Father and the Holy Spirit. We are one; and we demonstrate it by love.

Being in Christ creates in us through regeneration a new spirit and a new soul, and our body is redeemed. In Ezek. 36:26, 27 we read, "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you." The word "heart" or "lobe" is used very widely for the feelings, the will intellect which is the center of everything and relates to the soul. The whole soul is new including the mind and conscience, and emotions.

A new spirit: the human spirit in which dwells the Holy Spirit according to Eph. 3:16 "That he would grant you, according to the riches of His glory; to be strengthened with might by His spirit in the inner man." According to the scripture we are completely made new in regeneration. A new man made in the image and likeness of God; renewed in His knowledge and a new soul and spirit and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in our spirit which will quicken and revitalize our bodies. For in Romans 8:11 we read, "But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised Christ from the dead shall also give life to your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you."

The old man has been completely destroyed. This old man has been so completely destroyed that he should never be allowed to have any place in our lives. in 2 Cor. 5:17 it tells us "Old things are passed away." This refers to the whole unregenerated life, the old man; his sins, sicknesses and deseases, emotional problems, everything that relates to the old life is passed away.

Our whole method of approach will have to change. In our counselling we are constantly dealing with things that belong to the old life. We counsel Christians regarding their complexes, emotional problems, etc. We must relate ourselves to revealing to them who they are in Christ. Teaching them to appropriate by faith the fact that they are new creations in Christ.

This complete new man now receives the Resurrection life of Christ. This complete new man is one spirit with the Lord; the union is complete, as in 1 Cor. 6:17 "But he that joined unto the Lord is one spirit."

We have actually put on Christ as in Gal. 3:27 "For as many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." By that union with the resurrected Christ, we are made partakers of His resurrection life. In Col. 1:27 it says, "Christ in you the hope of glory." "Because we are made partakers of His resurrection life we are "delivered from the power of darkness and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son."

Therefore the old man which represents the whole of our unregenerated life is crucified, dead and buried with Christ. The completely new man has been raised to walk in the newness of life. In Rom. 6:6 it reads "Knowing this that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed." "Destroyed" or done away with, rendered inoperative. We can walk in the newness of life as in Rom. 6:2-4. "How shall we that are dead to sin live any longer in it. Know ye not that as many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ, were baptized into His death. Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism unto death, that as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

Walking in the newness of life in Christ we will be reigning with Christ in the heavenlies as stated in Col. 3:1, "If ye then be risen with Christ seek those things which are above, where Christ siteth on the right hand of God." Then in Eph. 2:6 it says "And hath raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ."

As new creations in Christ we are citizens of heaven as in Phil. 3:20 "For our citizenship is in heaven from which also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ."

We are forgiven all our trespasses and the old life has passed away as in Col. 2:13 "made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses."

We have a new standing with God; being justified by faith as Rom. 5:1 tells us. "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." That is shown or regarded just or innocent before God, as though you had never sinned.

Being justified we are blessed with all spiritual blessings. In Eph. 1:3 we read, "Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." The Christian is a heavenly man, a stranger and pilgrim on earth.

How then do we make real this crucifixion of the old man? We have just gone through a whole study relating to the fact that "old things are passed away" (2 Cor. 5:17). Then Rom. 6:6 "the old man is crucified." These are positive actual scriptural facts. If God says its dead, its dead.

Therefore I am to accept the death, of the old nature, believe it, accept by faith and come to a conclusion, as Rom. 6:11 states "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord." That part of you is absolutely dead; it has no rights in your life, simply turn it off. Do not fight with it or try to rebuke it, turn it off, absolutely ignore it.

Lets remember the past unregenerated life is completely done away with; past, present and future. The only relationship you have as a Son of God with the Old Man is what is further revealed in your life as a believer. We are told how to deal with it in scripture: Eph. 4:22-32 "That ye put off concerning the former manner of life, the old man which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts. And be renewed in the Spirit of your mind." having a fresh, mental and spiritual attitude.

Your mind is controlled by the Word of God in relation to the death of the old man and the old manner of life; and its dead. "And that ye put on the new man which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not; let not the sun go down upon your wrath. Neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more, but rather let him labor working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace to the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, by whom ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted forgiving one another even as God for Christ sake hath forgiven you."

There is no struggling or fighting against the flesh, we do not have to fight anything that is dead, we ignore it.

When we gain this victory over the flesh we will have gained the victory over the world also. All the world has to offer is the fulfillment of the lusts of the flesh, the old man. In 1 John 2:16 we read, "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lusts of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world." Verse 15: "Love not the world neither the things that are in the world. If any man live the world, the love of the Father is not in him."

We will have overcome the cause of temptation in our own life also, when we are able to overcome the flesh or old man, as in James 1:14 "But every man is drawn away of his own lust and enticed."

If we have overcome the flesh, or the old man, we should understand we do not relate to a complete eradication of the old man; but overcoming him as he makes his appearance in our lives. Only when we have a knowledge of his actions can we deal with him. This would relate to progressive sanctification. When we are able to deal successfully with the old man then our emotional life will stabilize; we will relax and be free from pressures.

We must understand the character of the old man. In Gal. 5:19-21 we read: "Now the works of the flesh are manifest which are these; adultery, fornication, uncleaness, lasciviousness, idolatory, witchcraft, hatred, strife, jealousy, wrath, fractions, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revelings."

It is these things working in our lives that make us open to sickness and desease, sin and death. But learning how to overcome the old man and his works in our lives will settle down our emotions and the pressures that is always the forerunner of sickness will become less in our lives.

Then we will be able to give ourselves to prayer and study of the Word of God, submitting ourselves to His will for our lives. Then the fruit of the Spirit in Gal. 5:22,23, & 24 will come forth. "Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, selfcontrol. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh, with the affections and lusts."

We make provision for the old nature when we recognize its presence and allow for its actions. Remember you may still have it in you, but it is just as dead as the scripture says it is. Give no place to it. In Rom. 13:14 it says, "But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts." A possible experience for the constant abiding beleiver as 1 John 3:6 says, "Whosoever abideth in Him sinneth not." "Abiding" means an acceptance of the dead of the old nature with victory over it; a constant victory over all efforts of the flesh to rule the life, and a constant submissiveness to the spiritual inner man, and the Holy Spirit; and a constant submissiveness to God's purposes for our lives.

It is without a doubt that there have been men and women of God who have attained to this life, that is why this scripture is in the Word and its possible the man that wrote it also experienced its, John.

THE CRUSADER'S BREAD BASKET

By Dr. Edith Grimes

THE RENEWED MIND

Read: Phil. 2:1-11



Verse for today: Eph. 4:23 AMP. "And be constantly renewed in the Spirit of your mind - having a fresh and mental spiritual attitude."

In the early Church beleivers were called "Christ-Owned-Ones" or "Christians". They had been made new by Christ and now the Holy Spirit makes His home in them, as He does us today, so that Christ likeness can be seen. This spiritual dimension is for the whole man, body, soul, and Spirit. We cannot separate Triumphant Christian living from our bodies.

The starting point of Christian living is in our minds. The natural mind does not understand the things of God. The preaching of the cross is foolishness to them.

In Romans 1:28 AMP we read: "And so, since they did not see fit to acknowledge God or approve of Him or consider Him worth the knowing, God gave them over to a base and condemned mind to do things not proper or decent but loathsome." What a darkened and deprayed Mind!

The mind produces after it's kind as the following verses reveal: In Matt. 15:19 AMP "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, reasonings, and disputings and designs such as murder, adultery, sexual vice, theft, false witnessing, slander and irreverent speech."

Evil thoughts bring forth evil actions for the thought life is the soil in which the sin life grows.

The depraved mind can think high, beautiful and meaningful thoughts but whatever that mind produces is stained by sin. Man's best philosophies are never flawless nor his best products ever perfect.

The ultimate in good ideas, thoughts, and philosophies cannot come from the minds of men they must come from God.

The Word of God provides for us the only perfect food on which the mind can feed.

How much time do you spend in the scriptures compared with the time you spend reading writings of unenlightened men including books, newspapers, etc?

Today's computers are like the human mind. They are not infallible for they have weaknesses and fail. You only get out of them what you put in. Our minds need to be set on things above not on things of the earth. (Col. 3:2)

The catologue of good thinking is given to us in Phil. 4:8 AMP. "For the rest, brethern, whatever is true, whatever is worthy of reverence and is honorable and seemly, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely and lovable, what ever is winsome and gracious, if there is any virtue and excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think on and weigh and take account of these things - fix your minds on them."

How we need the daily washing of the Word to refresh and keep us clean! What method do you use to keep your mind filled with God's Word?

Paul prayed and desired above all things to know God. This should be our priority too, "to know God." Paul wrote in Phil. 3:10 AMP "For my determined purpose is that I may know Him - that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding (the wonders of His person) more strongly and more clearly. And that I may in that same way come to know the power out flowing from His resurrection (which it exerts over believer's); and that I may so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed (in spirit into His likeness even) to death, (in the hope), that if possible I may attain to the spiritual and moral resurrection (that lifts me) out from among the dead even while in the body."

This should be our driving motivation "to know God." We cannot have a higher goal and it will take a great deal of determined discipline on our part. Our minds can easily become preoccupied with money, business, social, school, sports and household affairs besides a dozen other things that want for our attention. But spiritual growth does not come by any of these things. Only by absorbing God's precious promises can we become partakers of the Divine Nature and thus Triumph.

Let's be daily cleansed and refreshed in our minds by the Word which is our only perfect food.

The response to the first issue of the Crusader, has been very encouraging.

please continue your support of the Crusader as we believe that it is a worth while project. And a source of many blessings.

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Was held at the Chinese Full Gospel Camp at the University Campus at the Redlands Ca.

Over the Fourth of July weekend, it lasted 4 days.

Dr. Albert Grimes taught on gifts and Min. in short form. Then they had them all come up front for prayer. They kept us busy laying on hands for healing and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

They were very hungary, We did alot of counselling and answering of questions. There more than 500 in attendence.

The meals were in a cafeteria style so the people would try to sit near us and ask us questions- They would also come to our room.

Four people were saved and several were Baptised in the Spirit, Much good was done.

My subjects were: "What is God's Plan and Purpose for my Life", "How to know God's Will for My Life", "For Such an Hour as This". From Queen Esther, bringing out the Individuality of the Believer and a very brief outline of Gifts and Min.

Julio and Barbara Romano invited us over to their place- just a half hour away- after Camp to rest. They had a Surprise party for Me that evening (July 6th-65 years old).

and we came home the next day.

Please continue to Pray and Intercede for Chrisian Training Center and its Staff.

"Crusader"

