
The Pursuit of Holiness

Living a New Kind of Christian Life

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Am I Tired of The Way I Am Living?

4 Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, **arm yourselves** with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, ²so as to **live for the rest of the time in the flesh** no longer for human passions but for the will of God.

I Don't Have to Keep on Doing the Wrong Things Anymore
I Just Have Start Doing Things God's Way

"My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So, I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." *Galatians 2:20, NLT*

All Our Choices Will Cost Us

⁶ For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does.

"For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body." *2 Corinthians 5:10, NLT*

³ **For the time that is past suffices** for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. ⁴With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; ⁵but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

"If the world hates you, remember that it hated me first. The world would love you as one of its own if you belonged to it, but you are no longer part of the world. I chose you to come out of the world, so it hates you." *John 15:18-19, NLT*

The Key to Changing My Life, Is to Change the Way I Think

The Same Old Thinking = The Same Old Results

Just Because I Think Something Doesn't Make It True

Jesus Made His Decisions Based On 2 Things:

"The apostles left the high council rejoicing that God had counted them worthy to suffer disgrace for the name of Jesus." *Acts 5:41, NLT*

Jesus Filled His Mind with the Word & The Will of God

Make Your Christianity Practical

Once You Choose to Allow the Spirit to Change the Way You Think – Now Use the Spirit and The Word to Change Your Daily Destructive Thoughts

You Can Beat the ANT's

"We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ." *2 Corinthians 10:5, NLT*

Tell the Negative Committee That Meets Inside Your Head to
Sit Down and Shut Up

Your Faith Just Needs A Practical Way

Don't Review Negative Thoughts Over and Over

Ask Yourself Is It True? Helpful?

Replace It with a Bible Truth