

Newsletter 9-2-23. Hope to see you at The Christian Center this Sunday. If you're out of town, tap this link for online streaming at 10:45am <http://my.itexttoday.net/apps/2323/8833/index.html>

Living From the New You in Christ

When any person receives Jesus as their Savior and Lord, they have the ability to live the life of Christ; however, only as they identify with the new person they are in Christ. The person they were before Christ is not the person they are now. Now don't get me wrong; they are the same person physically, but not spiritually. Let's us look at some Scriptures that bear this out.

2 Corinthians 5:16-17 KJV Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we Him no

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

Notice that in these two verses God wants us to not know ourselves based on the flesh. He said that we are new creations in Christ. The spirit man on the inside of us has become new. The real you is your born-again spirit. Your body and your mind are the same, but your spirit is new.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 KJV For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. [17] For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; [18] While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal;

but the things which are not seen are eternal.

We see in these verses that there is an outward man and an inward man. The outward is the physical body; the inward is the born-again spirit. We now can see through the Bible that the body (or the flesh) and the spirit are two different personalities. This is why sometimes the born-again Christian will do things that are not in line with Jesus' ways. A Christian can yield to their flesh and act like they're not even saved. Let's look at some more Scriptures that show us this.

Galatians 5:19-23 NIV The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; [20] idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions [21] and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I

warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. [22] But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23] gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

I've learned over the years that until a Christian makes a distinction between their spirit and their flesh, they will not overcome the sinful flesh. They have a powerful new spirit filled with the Holy Ghost; and they can live a life just like Jesus lived, if they identify with the new person they are in Christ. Even though Jesus didn't give us a new body and mind, He gave us the born-again spirit, and we have the divine nature of Jesus in our spirits! We never have to submit to our body's lustful desires, if we rule the body with our new identity in Jesus and through the help of the Holy Ghost.

The first thing a new believer should do is take The Christian Center's Confession Booklet and start declaring who they now are in Christ. As they read out loud and declare daily the Scriptures in The Confession Booklet until that's all they know themselves to be, the behavior of the flesh will stop manifesting.

Galatians 5:16 KJV This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Hosea 7

Tuesday Hosea 8

Wednesday Hosea 9

Thursday Hosea 10

Friday Hosea 11

Saturday Hosea 12

Sunday Hosea 13

STAY CONNECTED

**Here is the link for The Christian Center app- -

<http://my.itexttoday.net/apps/2323/8833/indexm.html>

**If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line
580-704-0505

**Singles will be eating after Services at: (to be announced)

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am
Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career — 18-26
years of age - Eliav/Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*Marriage - Danny/Demetrice Williams

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Prayer - Joe Cunningham

UPCOMING:

***Annual Labor Day Picnic at Camp Faith

September 4 from 11am - 3pm. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided, so bring a dish and/or dessert. We will also provide paper plates, plastic ware, etc. Bring your lawn chairs, and enjoy a fun family time with lots of food, fellowship, games and horses.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary:
Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri
10-11am in the Gym

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in
Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC
app

Weekly

* Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes;
10:45am Main Service

* Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm

*Wednesday 6pm prayer in Foundation classroom

* Wednesday night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

* Mobile Prayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot

* Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly

* Crosses at the Corner: 1st Saturday 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.

* Women's Meeting: 2nd Saturday 9am in

Fellowship Hall

* Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday 5pm
in Sanctuary

*Horse Ministry: 3rd Saturday 10am -1 pm
at Camp Faith