

Exploring Paul's Letter to the Galatians Chapter V

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Grace is not a license

- Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.
- We are saved by grace and kept by the grace of god however it is possible to fall from grace. Grace is not a license to sin but rather the power of God to live above sin



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- Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.
- There are some who teach that because of the grace of God a person may live in sin and still be saved. For example “Once a son always a son”. Here in this verse Paul states that it is possible to fall from grace.



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- Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.
- Jude verse 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness and denying the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.



Grace is not a license

- Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.
- However the grace of God permits us to live above sin and not under the guilt of sin



A Little Leaven

- Galatians 5:9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.
- Leaven is a yeast used in baking in bible times it was kept as a lump of dough between baking's
- Jesus warned his disciples against the Pharisees and Sadducees Matthew 16:6 this Jesus explain to mean the doctrine or teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.



A Little Leaven

- Galatians 5:9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.
- Paul states that a little false doctrine will contaminate the whole body of believers we should consider the seriousness of wrong teaching and the effect it will have upon us which is namely apostasy.
- False doctrine is always interwoven through the truth which destroys.
- Some examples of false doctrine
- water baptism in the titles Father Son Holy Ghost
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Works of the flesh

- Gal 5:19-21 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
- 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
- 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, Revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.



Works of The Flesh

1. Adultery,
 2. fornication,
 3. uncleanness,
 4. lasciviousness,
 5. Idolatry,
 6. witchcraft,
 7. hatred,
 8. variance,
 9. emulations
 10. Wrath,
 11. strife,
 12. seditions,
 13. heresies,
 14. Envyings,
 15. Murder
 16. drunkenness,
 17. Revellings
- And such like.



Works of the flesh

1. Adultery, Greek “Moichos” unlawful intercourse the spouse of another
2. fornication, Greek Porneia intercourse with some one who is unmarried
3. Uncleaness Greek “Akatharsia” denotes uncleaness physical, moral,
4. lasciviousness, Greek “Aseigeia” denotes excess, licentiousness, absence of restraint, indecency, wantonness.



Works of the flesh

5. witchcraft, Greek “Pharmakia” (English Pharmacy) primarily signified the use of medicine, drugs, spells, poisoning, Sorcery. Gals 5:20 RV Sorcery and in the AV witchcraft in sorcery the use of drugs, whether simple or potent was generally accompanied by incantations and appeals to occult powers with the provision of various charms, amulets etc, professedly designed to keep the applicant or patient from the attention and power of demons, but actually to impress the applicant with the mysterious resources and power of the sorcerer.



Works of the flesh

1. hatred, Greek “Echthra” enmity and rendered hatred in the AV in Gal 5:20 and is the opposite of agape love.
2. variance, Geek “Dichazo” to cut apart, divide in two, RSV strife.
3. Emulations Greek “Zelos” zeal, jealousy AV Gal 5:20 rendered emulations.
4. Wrath, Greek “Thumos” hot anger, passion.
5. strife, Greek “Eris” strife contention



Works of the flesh

12. seditions, Greek “Dichostasia” literal a standing apart division

13. heresies, Greek “Hairesis” denotes a choosing, choice then that which was chosen and hence an opinion especially a self-willed opinion which is substituted for submission to the power of truth and leads to division and the formation of sects such erroneous opinions are frequently the outcome of personal preference or the prospect of advantage (margin parties)



Works of the flesh

14. Envyings, Greek “Phthonos” envy is the feeling of displeasure produced by witnessing or hearing of the advantage or prosperity of others this evil sense always attaches to this world.
15. Murder Greek “Phonos” in the plural of murders in general.
16. Drunkenness, Greek “Methe” strong drink denotes drunkenness, habitual intoxication



Works of the flesh

17. Revellings Greek “Komos” a revel, carousal, the concomitant and the consequence of drunkenness



Such Like

- Galatians 5:21.....and such like which I tell you before as I have also told you in time past they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
- There are seventeen works of the flesh named but Paul added “and such like” this means that all sins are similar to these are included in the works of the flesh.
- Paul sums up with a warning that those who are guilty of these shall not inherit the kingdom of God



Fruit of the Spirit

- Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
- 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.



Fruit of The Spirit

1. love,
2. joy,
3. peace,
4. longsuffering,
5. gentleness,
6. goodness,
7. faith,
8. Meekness
9. Temperance

against such there is no law.



Fruit of the Spirit

- These are nine in number but there is only one fruit signifying that they are born by one common root
- This is not the fruit of the child of God but rather the fruit of the Holy Spirit the Christian does not bear this fruit but rather the spirit bears the fruit in the life of the Christian
- The Holy Spirit bears this fruit as the need arises for example during the seasons of distress and sorrow the Holy Spirit will bear the fruit of joy.



Secret of victory

- Galatians 5:23against such there is no law.
- Paul Clearly teaches that the secret of victory is living in the Spirit and walking in the spirit.



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