

New Theme for the Months of May and June: **Life Transformation**

3 & 4 May	From Carnality to Spirituality	31 May & 1 Jun	From Ignorance to Revelation
10 May	From Brokenness to Wholeness (RTF)	7 & 8 Jun	From Depression to Praise [Sorrow to Joy]
11 May	Restoring the Foundations	14 & 15 Jun	From Carelessness to Purpose
17 & 18 May	From Curses to Blessings	21 & 22 Jun	From Selfishness to Generosity
24 & 25 May	From Fear to Faith	29 Jun	The "H"-Word!

INTRODUCTION - From Carnality To Spirituality

1. My Own Personal Journey
2. 90% of Problems due to Carnality - Fleshly reactions.
3. Any reference to anybody = supernatural coincidence.
4. Ask for revelation regarding your own flesh and carnality.

INTRODUCTION

Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the **gospel** of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

For in it the **righteousness of God** is revealed from **faith to faith**; as it is written, "The just shall **live by faith**."

RIGHTEOUSNESS of God =

3 Aspects Together

1. Right **standing**
2. Right **believing**
3. Right **living - actions**

It takes **faith** to **live out** all these 3 aspects of Righteousness.

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 "The just shall **LIVE by FAITH**"
Romans 1:17

I. JUSTIFICATION is:

- Being **accepted** by God
- **Peace** with God
- Right **standing** with God
- In **relationship** with God
- Having **access** to God 24/7/365



1. When we receive Christ as Lord and Saviour, we are **justified**.

Romans 10:9-10 that if you **confess** with your mouth the Lord Jesus and **believe** in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, **you will be saved**. For with the heart one **believes** unto **righteousness**, and with the mouth confession is made unto **salvation**.

2. To be justified means we are **accepted** by God fully.

Romans 8:15-16 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but **you received the Spirit of adoption** by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." The **Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God** ..



3. We are then a **new** creation i.e.

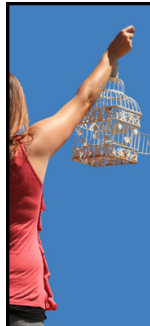
- A. Our **old** life has been crucified and died with Christ.
- B. We now have the **new** life of Christ in us.

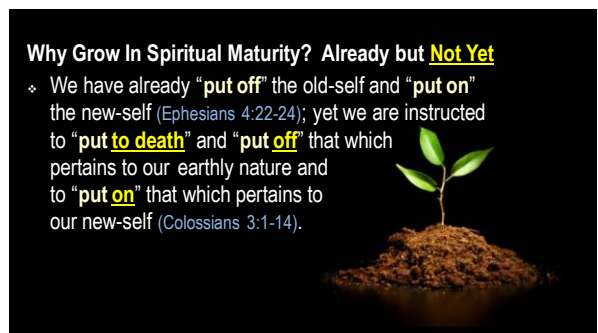
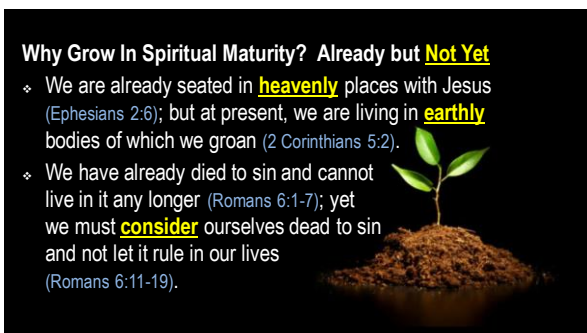
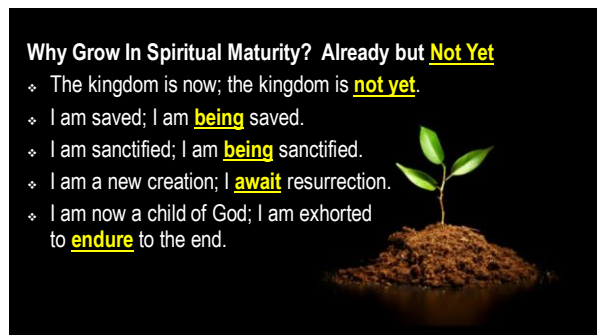
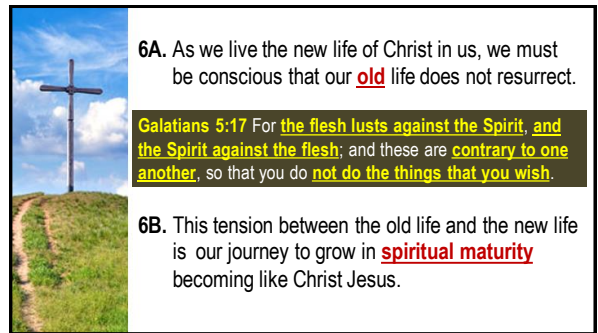
2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is **in Christ**, he is a **new creation**; old things have passed away; behold, **all things have become new**.



4. We live this new life by **faith** in God.

Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and **the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God**, who loved me and gave Himself for me.





Why Grow In Spiritual Maturity? Already but **Not Yet**

- ❖ Our Sanctification is positional (past), **progressive** (present), and perfect (future).
- ❖ We are new creations (2 Corinthians 5:17); yet we must be **transformed** by the renewal of our mind (Romans 12:2).



II. **SANCTIFICATION** - Disciple's Journey from Carnality to Spirituality Two Key Aspects of the Disciple's Journey:

- our **walk** with God
- our **serving** God



- ❖ Our Sanctification must be solidly **based on** our Justification.
- ❖ Our Sanctification must **never** be done to attain our Justification.
- ❖ Both our Justification and Sanctification are entirely due to the **Mercy** and **Grace** of God.



Video **Identity - Who Am I**



II. The Disciple's Journey from Carnality to Spirituality.

Being an Effective Priest & King **Doing**

Spiritual Maturity-Christlikeness **Being**

Daily Walk - Discipleship

Overcoming Evil One, World and Self-Life

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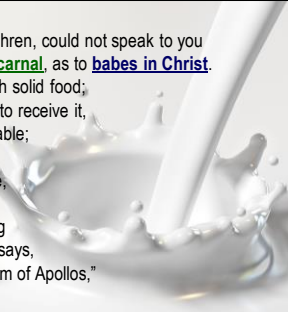
Forgiveness

1. Carnality is:

Our Sinful Nature	The Flesh
Babies in Christ	
Being Divisive	Envy
Mere Men	Jealousy
Drinking Milk	Our Old Man



1 Corinthians 3:1-5 And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; for you are still carnal [flesh]. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men? For when one says, "I am of Paul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not carnal?



2. Spiritual Life is:

Having Christ in You	Knowing the Holy Spirit is in You
Walking in Unity	Maturing in Christ
Knowing the Father-God dwells in you	Eating Solid Food



3A. The source of living in carnality is dependency on self.

- **CARNALITY** - To be carnal is to live our lives yielded to and directed by our sinful nature.

Romans 7:14

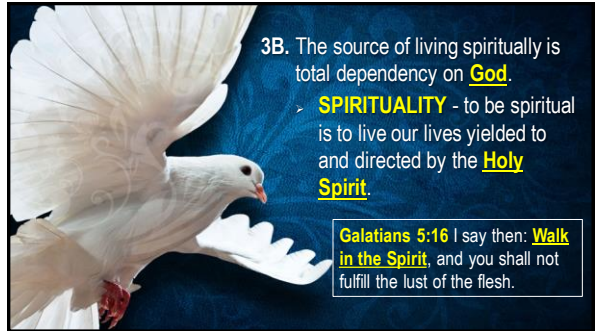
For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.



3B. The source of living spiritually is total dependency on God.

- **SPIRITUALITY** - to be spiritual is to live our lives yielded to and directed by the Holy Spirit.

Galatians 5:16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.



4A. The mind of the believer living in carnality is natural and corrupt.

4B. The mind of the spiritual believer is renewed and receives revelation.



Romans 8:5-11 Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.



- 5A. The emotion of living in carnality is **natural** and **corrupt**.
 5B. The emotion of the spiritual believer is **Spirit-led**.

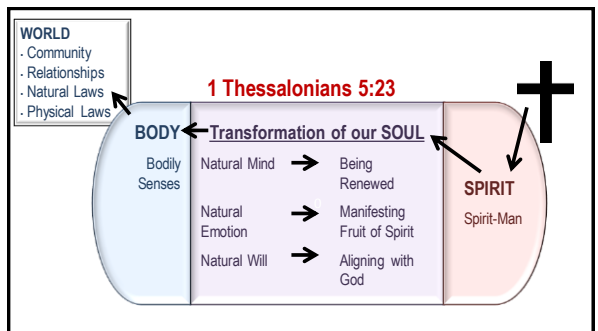
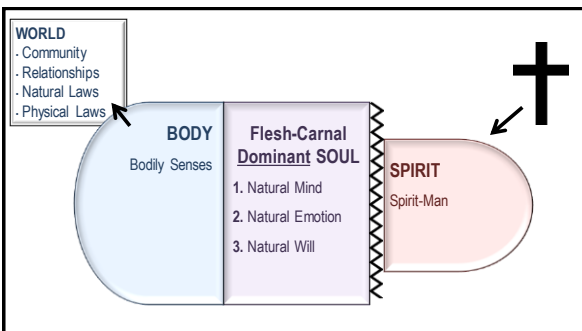
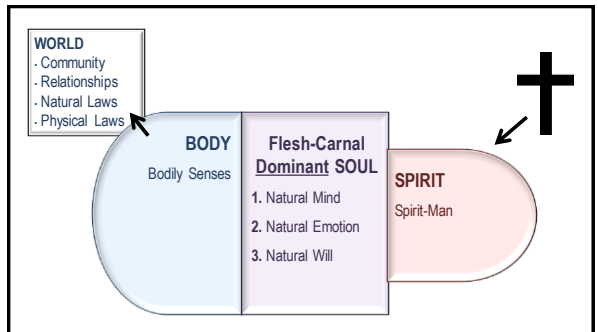
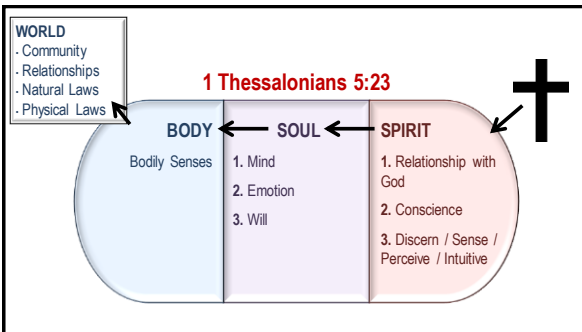
Galatians 5:22-23

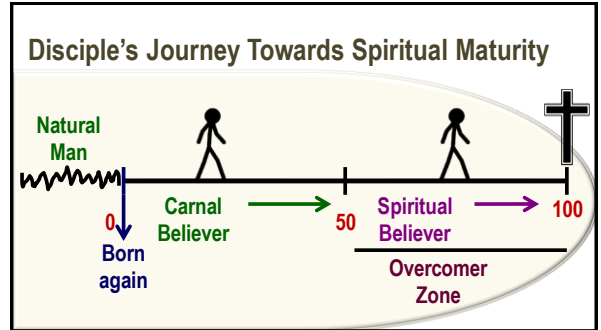
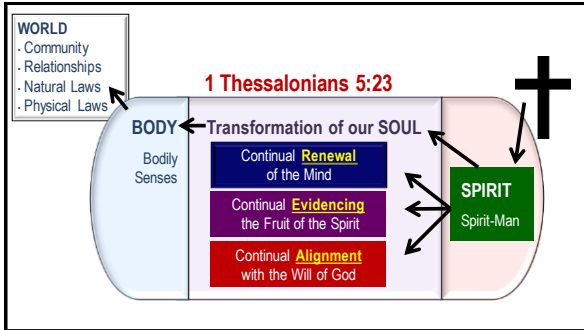
But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.



- 6A. The will of the carnal believer is **natural** and **un-enlightened**.
 6B. The will of the spiritual believer is **aligned** with the Father-God.

Colossians 1:9-11





7A. The **carnal** believer lives his life based on the **facts** of life.

7B. The **spiritual** believer lives his life based on the **truth** of God's Word as revealed by the Spirit of **truth**.

John 17:17 Sanctify them by Your truth.
Your word is truth.

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John 16:13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

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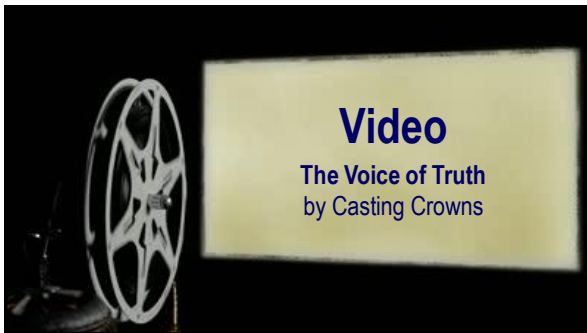

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Holy Spirit Grace
Philippians 2:12-13

Facts of our lives Presently

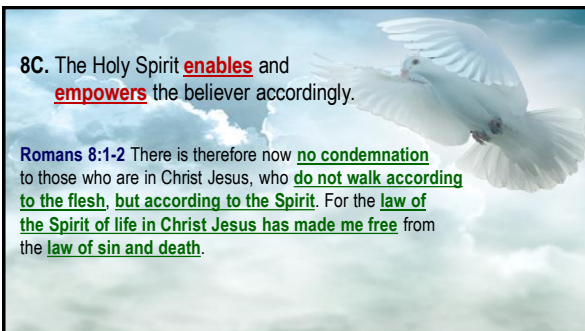
Living in the Truth
John 17:17

FACTS	LIVING IN TRUTH
e.g. #1 Struggling with needs	Knowing and experiencing God as Provider
e.g. #2 Struggling in sickness	Knowing and experiencing God as Healer
e.g. #3 Concerned with danger to life	Knowing and experience God as Protector
e.g. #4 Experiencing Stress, Anxieties and Fears (SAF)	Knowing the Peace of God that guard and rule our hearts.

8A. As the believer desires to grow spiritually, there will be grace.
8B. This grace flows to us by the Holy Spirit.

Philippians 2:12-13 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.




8C. The Holy Spirit enables and empowers the believer accordingly.

Romans 8:1-2 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

CONCLUSION

Jeremiah 17:5-6 Thus says the Lord: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart departs from the Lord. For he shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when good comes, but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land which is not inhabited.

Life of the Natural Man and the Carnal Believer




CONCLUSION

Jeremiah 17:7-8 Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope is the Lord. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river, and will not fear when heat comes; but its leaf will be green, and will not be anxious in the year of drought, nor will cease from yielding fruit.

Life of the Spiritual Maturing Believer