

***Crucifying the Flesh***  
***Galatians 5:24-26***

Introduction

1. Paul gave a list of fleshly desires.
  - A. Then Paul gave us the 9 traits of the Spirit.

***We are the Property and Possession of Jesus Christ. Vs. 24***

1. "They that are Christ's".

***The question is - how do we become the property & possession of Jesus?***

***The answer - When a person trust Jesus as their Savior.***

1. When a person makes this choice to receive salvation.
  - A. We receive Jesus wanting deliverance from the bondage of sin.

***Ephesians 2:1***

***1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;***

2. We no longer want to live in the bondage of sin, death, & judgement.
  - A. We want to live forever with God.
3. When a person comes to Christ, we are turning away from self (flesh) to God.

***At salvation the believer***

- ***No longer belongs to self (flesh)***
  - ***We belong to Jesus Christ.***
  - ***The flesh no longer possesses the believer.***
  - ***The believer no longer serves the flesh; we serve Jesus.***
1. A person dies with Jesus Christ by an act of God!
    - A. God counts a person to have died with Christ when we respond in faith.
    - B. Our faith in His Son is God honoring.

***When someone places their faith in Jesus Christ, God counts that faith as righteousness and credits it to their spiritual account.***

***We have become***

- ***Partakers of Christ's death***
- ***We are in union with Christ's death.***

***Because God has counted us to have been crucified with Christ, then the believer;***

- Died to the lust & passions of the flesh.
- Freed from the passion & lust of the flesh.

***Now it is obvious we cannot live apart from the flesh.***

- We are freed from living after the flesh.

***Romans 6:11***

***11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

***Our Spiritual walk in Christ. Vs. 25***

***Six Disciplines to Crucify the Lust of the Flesh***

**Seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit (Gal. 5:16).**

1. This means to rely on God's power to resist sinful desires.

**Renew your mind with Scripture.**

**Romans 12:2**

***2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.***

**Practice self-control & discipline.**

**1 Corinthians 9:27**

***27 But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.***

**Confess and repent**

**1 John 1:9**

***9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.***

**Fellowship with other believers.**

**Hebrews 10:24–25**

***24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.***

**Flee from temptation.**

**2 Timothy 2:22**

***22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.***

***Always remember who you were before encountering Christ. Vs. 26***