

Lesson #5

Your Grace Operating Assets

We have been studying how to beat addictions the biblical way. In order to beat addictions the biblical way, it is important to understand how the lust of the OSN works in conjunction with the lust of the MIND to develop your lust trends.

OSN

(2 Pet.2:18)

(habits, addictions)

MIND

(Rom.8:5-9)

(perversion, depravity)

(Rom.1:18-32; John 8:44; 1 John 3:12)

In order to win over addictions the biblical way, the Christian must win on two fronts (OSN and MIND). God has provided certain *grace-operating assets* (GOA) for every believer to absolutely WIN (Rom.5:2; 11:6; 1 Cor.15:10).

This lesson will study FIVE basic biblical principles on how to win over the lust of the OSN.

1. Ministry of the indwelling Holy Spirit is one of God's grace operating assets, that He has provided every Believer to win over the lust of the flesh, the OSN lust trends.

1 Cor.6:19-20:

John 14:16:

Gal.3:1-3:

Rom.8:9

The indwelling is one of 8 works of the Holy Spirit at the point of salvation.

Adoption (Rom.8:14-17)

Regeneration (John 3:1-8)

Baptism (1 Cor.12:13)

Spiritual life (Eph.2:5)

Earnest/ sealing (2 Cor.1:22)

Spiritual gift (1 Cor.12:11)

Indwelling (1 Cor.6:19)

Sanctification (Rom.15:16)

2. There is a constant internal warfare inside every believer (OSN verses IHS) (1 Pet.2:11).

Gal.5:16-17 (conflict and control)

- Problem -
- Peripateo (p.a.impv.) –
- Power – (practice the power of the presence of the person of the Holy Spirit) -
- Promise (Eph.5:18) –

3. The believer must learn to set his mind on walking by means of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

“Who do not walk (peripateo) according to the flesh (OSN), but according to the Spirit. For those who are according to the flesh set their minds (phroneo) on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.” (Rom.8:4a-5)

I refer to this as: Practicing the Power of the Presence of the Person of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

SEVEN IMPORTANT LEARNING FACTORS

1. You must learn to recognize temptation, in your life before you give into its lust gratification
2. You must learn to say NO to the "need" to gratify that lust trend of your flesh.
3. You must learn to say YES to the "need" to access the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit.
4. You must learn to recognize the power in the promise of victory over the OSN.
5. You must learn to recognize this constant, internal warfare in your life
6. You must learn to obey the command to walk by means of the indwelling Holy Spirit
7. You must learn to confess your sin to get out of carnality and back into spirituality.

4. We often refer to recovery from carnality to spirituality as REBOUND (to bounce back). It is a term to describe this entire process (1 John 1:8-10; 1 Cor.3:1-3).

“If _____ (first name) would confess your _____, He (God) is faithful and righteous to forgive _____ your sins and to cleanse _____ from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

5. What happens when a believer commits a sin? What happens to a believer when he gets involved in evil? (Read - Psa.66:18; 51:1-4 – King David)

The answer to these questions is that God will discipline the believer, in degrees to restore him to spirituality (Heb.12:5-12). He will:

Spank –
Scourge –
Sin unto death (1 John 5:16) –

Why is God disciplining the believer?
What does God, his Father, want the believer to do?

Confession will remove the believer from continued divine discipline but it may not remove the consequences of it. [Remember David lost the child and Lot’s wife lost her life; Luke 17:32; Gern.18:23-33.]

There is a doctrinal principle of sowing and reaping involved (Gal.6:7-8). Be sure to sow to The Spirit and not the flesh.