



## **Live Unto God In Love and Truth.**

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### **Galatians 2:20**

<sup>20</sup> I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

The Apostle Paul, is telling that now he is **born again** of the spirit of God he is no longer living the life he use to live before he was born again. He no longer does his own things, he no longer persecutes the church of God like he did **His focus in life had changed since his encounter with the Lord Jesus Christ on the road to Damascus. He was a changed man never to be the same again and the evident of this was on show to all. People knew he was changed. Paul by his own free will decision had made his mind up he was now living unto God..... And Christ was able to live his life through Paul.**

**Acts 9:1-9** And Saul, yet breathing out threatening and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

<sup>2</sup> And desired of him (**The High Priest**) letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

<sup>4</sup> And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

<sup>5</sup> And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

<sup>6</sup> And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

<sup>7</sup> And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

<sup>8</sup> And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus.

<sup>9</sup> And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink

<sup>10</sup> And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord.

<sup>11</sup> And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth,

<sup>12</sup> And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

<sup>13</sup> Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:

<sup>14</sup> And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.

<sup>15</sup> But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

<sup>16</sup> For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

<sup>17</sup> And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

<sup>18</sup> And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

<sup>19</sup> And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

<sup>20</sup> And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

<sup>21</sup> But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

<sup>22</sup> But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

**Galatians 1:1-4** Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

<sup>2</sup> And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

<sup>3</sup> Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,

<sup>4</sup> Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

**Galatians 1:13-24** <sup>13</sup> For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:

<sup>14</sup> And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.

<sup>15</sup> But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace,

<sup>16</sup> To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:

<sup>17</sup> Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

<sup>18</sup> Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.

<sup>19</sup> But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

<sup>20</sup> Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.

<sup>21</sup> Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;

<sup>22</sup> And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:

<sup>23</sup> But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

<sup>24</sup> And they glorified God in me.

**When we were born again we too received holy spirit which is Christ in Us. But now Christ needs to be formed in our minds. So our words and actions represent and show, that Christ in Us. On show to all.**

**To do this we have to put on the mind of Christ, by way of God's word. To Put on the mind of Christ to renew our minds to what God says in His word.**

When we are renewing our minds to the truths of God's word and walking and living in the light of the Word of God **then** we are living unto God and Christ is being formed in us.

The Word of God has to be living and real in our lives, other than that we are missing the mark. For the word to be living and true in our lives we have to not only know what God says in his word, but we have to learn to live and apply the word of God we know.

Once we learn a truth that applies to us we then have to put it on in our minds. This is what we call the renewing of our minds, by changing our thinking, from what the world has told us to what God is showing us.

**Psalm 18:33** He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places.

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**Ephesians 5:1-2** Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour.

**1 John 4:11** Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to **love one another**.

**1 John 4:20** If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that **loveth not** his brother whom he hath seen, how can he **love God** whom he hath not seen?

**1 John 4:21** And this commandment have we from him, That he who **loveth God love his brother also**. Another aspect of the renewed mind is passion. We must have a great desire to help God'

**Romans 12:9** Let love be without dissimulation [hypocrisy]. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

**Ephesians 4:15** But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

**Ephesians 4:24** And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

**Ephesians 6:11** Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

**Colossians 3:10** And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

**Colossians 3:12** Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and **beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;**

**Colossians 3:14** And above all these things **put on charity**, which is the bond of perfectness

**II Peter 3:18** But grow in [what?] grace [grow in grace], and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ...

**Colossians 1:1-14** Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus our brother,

<sup>2</sup>To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup>We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,

<sup>4</sup>Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints,

<sup>5</sup>For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;

<sup>6</sup>Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:

<sup>7</sup> As ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellowservant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ;

<sup>8</sup> Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

<sup>10</sup> That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

<sup>11</sup> Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

<sup>12</sup> Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

<sup>13</sup> Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

<sup>14</sup> In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: