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Spiritual Life Dynamics (07) (Conquering Addictions – Part One)

Review of four important doctrinal points regarding the Spiritual Life that we have studied.

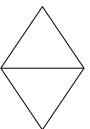
- Every Church Age Believer (CAB) received the indwelling Holy Spirit (HIS) at the moment of grace salvation (Gal.3:2-3; 1 Cor.6:19-20).
- The CAB is never neutral regarding walking by means of the Old Sin Nature (OSN) or walking by means of the Indwelling Holy Spirit (HIS) (Gal.5:16-17). You are either carnal or spiritual (1 Cor.3:1-3).
- The only supernatural power over the OSN is the Indwelling Holy Spirit (Gal.5:16-17; Rom.8:8-11).
- Confession of personal sin removes the CAB from a carnal (sarkinos) state (1 Cor.3:1) to a spiritual (pneumatikos) state (1 Cor.3:3) (**1 John 1:7-9**).

Part one of Conquering Addiction in the Christian Way of Life (CWL) will be introduced by the following three points.

1. Confession of sin deals with the specific carnal sin of a lust trait producing the desired pleasure, but it does not deal with the carnality lust addictive trend of Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus (OMCD) thinking. (1 Cor.3:1)

> Lust traits pleasure (sarkinos / carnal)

Lust trends addiction



(1 John 1:7-9; Heb.12:5) (light pain)

(sarkikos / carnality) (Heb.12:6-8) (heavy pain)

2. In (Rom.8:1-4), Paul taught that the <u>law of the Spirit of life</u> in Christ Jesus has set every Church Age Believer (CAB) FREE from the law of sin and death (free [eleutheroo / a.a.ind.3ps] positional truth) (Gen.2:17; Gal.5:1, 13, 16-17, 24-25) at the moment of grace salvation.

Paul taught that the requirements of the Law are fulfilled by walking in the Indwelling Holy Spirit (Rom.8:4).

The Law says don't get drunk or involved in gluttony (Prov.23:20-21; 1 Cor.5:9-13) as a life style. So what does Paul instruct the Church Age Believer (CAB) to do in (Rom.8:4; Eph.5:15-18)?

The Law say to love God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. "This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets." (Matt.22:37-40; 1 John 4:9-11, 19)

3. When <u>volition</u> links the Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus (OMCD) thinking mindset <u>to</u> the Old Sin Nature's (OSN) <u>lust pleasure traits</u> (carnal / sarkinos), <u>it develops into lust addiction trends</u> (carnality / sarkikos) or a <u>Carnal Life Style</u>) (Rom.8:5-8).

The key is **setting the mind** (phroneo / p.a.infin) (Rom.8:5; **13:14**). The CAB either sets the mind according to the OSN's lust trends or according to the desires of the Indwelling Holy Spirit.

(Rom.8:6) "For the **mind set** (**to phronema**) on the flesh is death (James 1:14-15; 1 Tim.5:6), but the **mind set** on the Spirit is life and peace." (Gal.5:19-21)

(Rom.8:7-8) "Because the **mind set** on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so; and those who are in the flesh cannot please God"

(Rom.8:12-13) "So then, brethren, **we are under obligation (opheiletes) [legal term],** <u>not to the flesh</u> (OSN), to live according to the flesh – **for if (1cc)** [if the first part is true then the second is true] you are living according to the flesh, you must die (Rom.6:2; Gal.2:19-20; Col.2:20; 1 Pet.2:24); **but if (1cc)** by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live."