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### THE SPIRIT AND THE FLESH

“So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want.”

Galatians 5: 16-17

**FOR YOU:** The purpose of this study is to show you the importance of the two types of human nature that exists in the life of every Christian: the human flesh and the spiritual nature. Only the word of grace can deeply cut and separate these two natures, so every Christian can identify the sin in his body and the perfection in his spirit. (Hebrews 4:12)

#### **The Human Flesh Came from Adam. Spiritual Nature Came From Jesus Christ**

- Adam formed many sinners, Jesus Christ has formed many righteous. (Romans 5:19)
- Adam brought transgression, Jesus the gift of life. (Romans 5: 15)
- Adam brought condemnation, Jesus justification. (Romans 5: 18)
- Trough Adam many have died, and trough Jesus many have been saved forever.  
(Romans 5:15)

#### **The Flesh is Faithful to Sin But the Spirit is Faithful to God**

- Our mind serves God but the human flesh to the law of sin. (Romans 7:25)

- Death is at work in us (the flesh), but life is at work in you (the Spirit). (2 Co 4:12)
- The body is subject to death because of sin, but the Spirit gives life. (Romans 8:10)

### **All Born-Again Believers Still Have a Sinful Body**

- Saved without removing the filth of the flesh. (1 Peter 3: 21)
- No sin will reign in your mortal body. (Romans 6:12)
- I want to do good but evil is right there with me. (Romans 7:21)
- The outwardly are wasting away, yet inwardly are being renewed. (2 Corinthians 4:16)
- We have a treasures in jars of clay. (2 Corinthians 4:7)

### **All Believers Have a Sinful Body But Were Set Free From the Law of Sin**

- The law of the Spirit has set us free. (Romans 8:2)
- Divested of fleshly body by christian circumcision. (Colossians 2:11)
- Sin has no longer dominion over you. (Romans 6:14)
- Who believes in Jesus Christ will not be judged. (John 5:24)

### **A Sinful Body Will Not Inherit Eternal Life**

“I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.” Corinthians 15:50

### **Paul made a call to not use the freedom that God has gave you to indulge the flesh**

- God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. (Galatians 6:7)
- Do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh. (Galatians 5:13)

— I have the right to do anything – but not everything is beneficial. (1 Corinthians 6:12)

**FINAL WORDS** – The sin in your body can't tarnish your life but it can bring you consequences from your actions. You are born with an incorruptible seed, and because you have a divine seed in you don't go through life sinning. You are a winner.