

OLD MAN — NEW MAN — FLESH

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. (**Ga.2:20**)

knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. (**Ro.6:6**)

⁹Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, ¹⁰and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, (**Cl.3:9-10**)

²³But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. ²⁴O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? (**Ro.7:23-24**)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. (**2Co.5:17**)

OLD MAN - SELF

COMES FROM ADAM

1. Adam gives you this desire to sin.
2. After salvation, Adam no longer influences you to sin.

- The old self is our old, unregenerate nature. It is dead. It is crucified (**Ro.6:6; Ga.2:20**) by God.
- The old man cannot be reformed. That is why it must be crucified, and we must be born again.
- The old man is what you were in Adam. All are born with a sin nature.

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COMES FROM OUR EXPERIENCES

1. Your experiences give you your desire to sin.
2. After salvation, your main influence to sin comes from your flesh.

- The new man's desire to do right collides with evil desires of our flesh. Therein lies the battle.
- If you're not a Christian, there is no battle!
- The new man lives in this incarceration of unredeemed flesh (**Ro.7:24**) awaiting the rapture.

FLESH

NEW MAN

- The new man is the regenerate man and receives a new "divine nature" (**2Pe.1:3-4**). We are "born again".
- At the new birth, when the old man was crucified (**Ga.2:20**), the power of sin that reigned over us was broken. Sin no longer controls the whole man but it does hold captive the believer's members (fleshly body, **Ro.7:18,23**).
- Why do we fall into sin? Because we do not feed the new man with the Word of God.
- The old man no longer exists. You're a whole new creation (**2Co.5:17**). You're never exhorted to put off the old man. Why? He is already dead (**Ro.6:6; Ga.2:20; Cl.3:9-10**). It is not in the process of being crucified. It is dead!
- If the old man had never been crucified with Christ, none of us could deal with the flesh.