

What is authentic Christian living?

1. New Power—Walking by the Spirit (16-18)

- Occurs in the context of a spiritual war

The Flesh—what we are by natural birth

The Spirit—what we become by new birth

- Provides victory of the flesh
- Equals freedom from the law

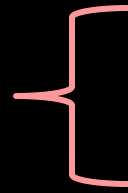
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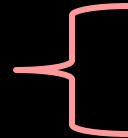
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Sex



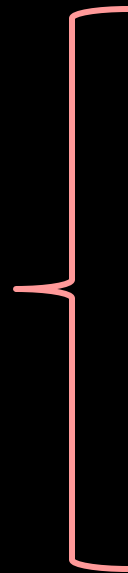
sexual immorality
impurity
Debauchery

Religion



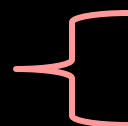
idolatry
witchcraft

Relationships



hatred
discord
jealousy
fits of rage
selfish ambition
dissensions
factions
envy

Drink



drunkenness
orgies
and the like.

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- The Works of the flesh (19-21)
(A hungry soul—characterized by self-interest & conflict)
- The Fruit of the Spirit (22-23)
(A blessed soul—characterized by selfless love & blessing)

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3. New Identity—Truth of the Spirit (24-25)

- My old self (flesh) died with Christ
- My new self lives by the Spirit

This has happened positionally in Christ

This must happen practically in our daily lives