

"I GET EASILY UPSET"

Yes Dear Reader, as a Christian, we long to be free of the flesh! It's a battle with the flesh to the day we die or are raptured. It is the old nature of the flesh that wars with the Spirit that dwells in us, and indeed, our own human spirit as well.

"For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would." (Galatians 5:17)

Yes Dear Reader, the following verse is our new heart when we get saved.

"My brethren, **count it all joy** when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, **that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing**." (James 1:2-4).

That is the goal of perfection ... and we can't do it on our own!

A Christian must understand the transformation that happens when a person gets saved.

Now Dear Reader, God is constantly shaping us by putting to death the old nature. When you became a Christian, you were spiritually circumcised with your soul being separated from your body, as the following says ...

"In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in **putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism**, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead." (<u>Colossians 2:11-12</u>).

Yes, you were put into the death of Christ by the Spirit of God, not water ... "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body ..." (1 Corinthians 12:13).

This means that you are trapped in a physical body full of sin, but your soul has been cut away.

Although our old nature does not have dominion over us, it still exists in our flesh body ... while our soul is pure. It's as if we are schizophrenics ... two people in one.

Indeed, Paul sums it up perfectly with ...

"For **I** delight in the law of God after the inward man: But 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." (Romans 7:22-23)

We can react to trials and temptations either with resentment and say "Why should this be happening to me", or we can thank God by saying "God is Almighty. He will allow nothing to take place in my life, unless he sees that it can be worked for good. I will now thank the Lord for showing me I need him 100% to solve this thing!

When we learn to 'accept' life's impossible problems/sins with thanksgiving, and praise, to our heavenly Father, we become free in our spirits. This then helps us to be objective and calm, as we know that the Lord will organize outside influencers and events to his glory. Indeed, God enables us to use our problems to become more like Jesus ... and all to the glory of God.

When we look at the following scripture, we see that God filters out every event that takes place in our lives and permits only what he will use.

"And we know that **all things work together for good to them that love God**, to them who are the called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, **he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son**, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren." (Romans 8:28-29)

When we look at life's situations with gratefulness, rather than with a grudge, we let God achieve his best purpose in us. He uses the problems and irritations that affect us, to be conformed to the image of his Son.

People fail to see their life from God's point of view ... by not giving their sin, over to God ... and trusting him as a little child to work things out for his good ... and indeed ours.

Here are **six** verses to help you:

From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to "the rock that is higher than I." ($\underline{Psalm 61:2}$).

This is an Old Testament verse when people were not in the Rock, but as a Christian, you are now in the Rock (1 Corinthians 10:4).

"For **consider him** (Jesus) **that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself**, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds." (<u>Hebrews 12:3</u>)

Jesus was infinitely more pressed then man ... and how they tempted him again and again. Of course, he had righteous anger calling them white-washed tombs.

"And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that **men ought always to pray**, and not to faint;" (<u>Luke 18:1</u>)

eg "Thank you Lord, let me respond to this as Jesus would. Help me now so that you will get all the glory for your outcome in my life."

"Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

"If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: **he cannot deny himself**." (2 Timothy 2:13)

"Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, **I** will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." (<u>Hebrews 13:5</u>)

Dear Reader, be encouraged that God will bless you to the day you die or get raptured, by letting irritations irritate you, until you be conformed to the image of his son. You can't do this thing on your own. You now have the power to overcome getting upset easily. As the saying goes "God leaves enough fleas on the dog to let it know it's a dog, and that it needs its master."

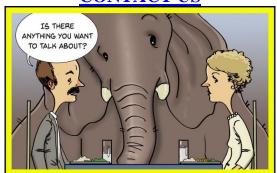
Treat your getting upset ... as a blessing from God to you. You will then see things in a new light.

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." ($\frac{2 \text{ Corinthians } 5:17}{2}$)

Good-bye old creature ... hello new creature.

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