

THE *Spirit of Life*

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Make-believe Christians are those who still love this world and continue to practice sin. They call themselves Christians, but with their actions they deny Christ. Those who have received Christ have crucified the flesh and have turned their back on this world. They live as strangers here, as those who have been raised from the dead.

Whoever loves this world is an enemy of God. Those who set their minds on earthly things are enemies of the cross. If we call ourselves Christians and willingly practice sin, we walk in unbelief; we never really crucified our old man; we are just pretending. If we still love this world and the things in it, the love of the Father is not in us; we just pretend to be Christians; we walk in unbelief; we really don't believe that we are heavenly citizens.

As we pick up our cross daily and follow Christ, walking in the spirit, abiding in the vine, the Holy Spirit will open our eyes of understanding and cause us to walk as sons of God and to live as strangers here.

Faith without works is dead. Our actions should show what we believe. We must warn those that still walk in the flesh and call themselves Christians, that they will not inherit the Kingdom of God. Whoever loves his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for Christ's sake will keep it for eternal life. Present your bodies as a living sacrifice, acceptable to God, and don't be conformed to this world. Renew your mind with God's Word while it is called "today," and harden not your heart, but rather repent, and the blood of Christ will cleanse you and put you back on the spiritual path. There is no guilt or condemnation for those who walk after the Spirit.