

LIFE IN THE WORD

SERIES:

GET IN STEP!

(WALK IN THE SPIRIT)

**LESSON SEVEN:
LIVING A CRUCIFIED LIFE**

**IF WE LIVE IN THE SPIRIT, LET
US ALSO WALK IN THE SPIRIT.**

GALATIANS 5:25

**AND THOSE WHO BELONG TO CHRIST
JESUS HAVE CRUCIFIED THE FLESH
WITH ITS PASSIONS AND DESIRES.**

GALATIANS 5:24

**TO CRUCIFY MEANS TO SUBDUE; TO
MORTIFY; TO DESTROY THE POWER OR
RULING INFLUENCE OF.**

**“THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS
CHRIST IS CENTRAL TO
CHRISTIANITY. HIS DEATH WAS
MY DEATH, AND HIS LIFE IS MY
LIFE.”**

WATCHMAN NEE

**KNOWING THIS, THAT OUR OLD MAN IS
CRUCIFIED WITH HIM, THAT THE BODY OF
SIN MIGHT BE DESTROYED, THAT
HENCEFORTH WE SHOULD NOT SERVE SIN.**

ROMANS 6:6

**AND THEY THAT ARE CHRIST'S
HAVE CRUCIFIED THE FLESH WITH
THE AFFECTIONS AND LUSTS.**

GALATIANS 5:24

**AND DO NOT PRESENT YOUR MEMBERS
AS INSTRUMENTS OF
UNRIGHTEOUSNESS TO SIN BUT
PRESENT YOURSELVES TO GOD AS
BEING ALIVE FROM THE DEAD, AND
YOUR MEMBERS AS INSTRUMENTS OF
RIGHTEOUSNESS TO GOD.**

ROMANS 6:13

**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.**

GALATIANS 2:20

**THEN JESUS SAID TO HIS DISCIPLES,
“IF ANYONE DESIRES TO COME AFTER
ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE
UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME.”**

MATTHEW 16:24

**"SUBMIT TO THE NAILS" IS A METAPHORICAL
EXPRESSION OF THE CALL TO RADICAL
DISCIPLESHIP AND SURRENDER TO CHRIST.**

**DO NOT LET SIN CONTROL THE
WAY YOU LIVE; DO NOT GIVE IN
TO SINFUL DESIRES.**

ROMANS 6:12

**AND THOSE WHO ARE
CHRIST'S HAVE CRUCIFIED
THE FLESH WITH ITS
PASSIONS AND DESIRES.**

GALATIANS 5:24

**“WITH ITS PASSIONS AND LUSTS”
(THE IMPULSES AND URGES THAT
TEMPT BELIEVERS TO INDULGE IN SIN).**

**I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH
CHRIST, AND I NO LONGER LIVE,
BUT CHRIST LIVES IN ME. THE
LIFE I NOW LIVE IN THE BODY, I
LIVE BY FAITH IN THE SON OF
GOD, WHO LOVED ME AND GAVE
HIMSELF FOR ME.**

GALATIANS 2:20

**THREE KEY ELEMENTS THAT
DEFINE THE CHRISTIAN
EXPERIENCE:**

1. THE OLD SELF

2. THE YIELDED LIFE

3. THE NEW SELF

**1. THE OLD SELF
(OUR FORMER WAY OF LIFE)**

**YOU WERE TAUGHT, WITH REGARD
TO YOUR FORMER WAY OF LIFE,
TO PUT OFF YOUR OLD SELF,
WHICH IS BEING CORRUPTED BY
ITS DECEITFUL DESIRES.**

EPHESIANS 4:2

“GET BEHIND ME, SATAN! YOU ARE A STUMBLING BLOCK TO ME; YOU DO NOT HAVE IN MIND THE CONCERNS OF GOD, BUT MERELY HUMAN CONCERNS.”

MATTHEW 16:23

**“WHOEVER WANTS TO BE MY
DISCIPLE MUST DENY THEMSELVES
AND TAKE UP THEIR CROSS AND
FOLLOW ME. WHOEVER WANTS TO
SAVE THEIR LIFE WILL LOSE IT,
BUT WHOEVER LOSES THEIR LIFE
FOR ME WILL FIND IT.”**

MATTHEW 16: 24-25

**2. THE YIELDED LIFE
(A LIFE OF SURRENDER,
OBEDIENCE, AND DEPENDENCE
ON GOD).**

**YOU, HOWEVER, ARE NOT IN
THE REALM OF THE FLESH BUT
ARE IN THE REALM OF THE
SPIRIT, IF INDEED THE SPIRIT
OF GOD LIVES IN YOU.**

ROMANS 8:9

THE YIELDED LIFE REQUIRES:

1. TAKING TIME TO LISTEN TO

THE SPIRIT

2. TRUSTING GOD'S GUIDANCE

3. ALLOWING HIM TO CHANGE

US OVER TIME

4. LOOKING TO JESUS AS OUR

MODEL

**BLESSED IS THE MAN WHO TRUSTS IN
YAHWEH, AND WHOSE CONFIDENCE IS IN
YAHWEH. FOR HE WILL BE AS A TREE
PLANTED BY THE WATERS, WHO SPREADS
OUT ITS ROOTS BY THE RIVER, AND WILL
NOT FEAR WHEN HEAT COMES, BUT ITS LEAF
WILL BE GREEN AND WILL NOT BE
CONCERNED IN THE YEAR OF DROUGHT. IT
WON'T CEASE FROM YIELDING FRUIT.**

JEREMIAH 17:7-8

**3. THE NEW SELF
(A TRANSFORMED IDENTITY IN
CHRIST)**

**AND THAT YOU PUT ON THE NEW
MAN WHICH WAS CREATED
ACCORDING TO GOD IN TRUE
RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLINESS.**

EPHESIANS 4:24

CHRIST-CENTEREDNESS
SPIRIT-LED DECISIONS
TRANSFORMED RESPONSES

**FOUR BENEFITS OF LIVING A
CRUCIFIED LIFE:**

1. TRUE FREEDOM

2. PURPOSE AND MEANING

3. VICTORY OVER SIN

4. CLOSER RELATIONSHIP

WITH GOD

THREE QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- 1. AM I RESPONDING FROM MY OLD SELF OR MY NEW IDENTITY IN CHRIST?**
- 2. WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE TO YIELD TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THIS MOMENT?**
- 3. HOW CAN I MAKE JESUS THE CENTER OF THIS SITUATION RATHER THAN MYSELF?**

**“BEING FILLED WITH THE
SPIRIT IS SIMPLY THIS,
HAVING MY WHOLE NATURE
YIELDED TO GOD.”**