### ULaity Missionary Baptist Church Bible Study February 13, 2021

**Subject: Victory Over A Life of Sin.** 

### I. What is a Sin Filled life?

# A. A life of sin happens when the works of the flesh control the actions of the physical body.

### **Galatians 5:19-21.**

- <sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,
- <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,
- <sup>21</sup> envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

### Romans 8:5.

<sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those *who live* according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

# B. A life that is full of sin is an abomination (disgrace) to God.

### Proverbs 6:16-23.

- <sup>16</sup> These six *things* the LORD hates, Yes, seven *are* an abomination to Him:
- <sup>17</sup> A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, <sup>18</sup> A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running
- to evil,
- <sup>19</sup> A false witness *who* speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.

# C. A life that is full of sin cannot please God and must be put to death by the Holy Spirit of God through the acceptance of Jesus Christ in your life.

### Colossians 3:5-7.

- <sup>5</sup> Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.
- <sup>6</sup> Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience,
- <sup>7</sup> in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

### Romans 8:7-8.

- <sup>7</sup> Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.
- <sup>8</sup> So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

### II. What is the New Life of a Born-again Christian?

# A. The life of a born-again Christian is controlled and strengthen by the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit.

### 1 Corinthians 3:16.

<sup>16</sup>Do you not know that you are the temple of God and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you?

### **Ephesians 3:14-19.**

- <sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- <sup>15</sup> from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,
- that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man,
- that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love,
- may be able to comprehend with all the saints what *is* the width and length and depth and height--
- <sup>19</sup> to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

# B. The Holy Spirit of the inward man of a Christian is renewed day by day.

### 2 Corinthians 4:16.

<sup>16</sup>Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward *man* is being renewed day by day.

### Colossians 3:8-10.

- <sup>8</sup> But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, rath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth.
- <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds,
- <sup>10</sup> and have put on the new *man* who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

## C. Having a life that is focused on Christ bares Spiritual Fruit.

### **Galatians 5:22-24.**

- <sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.
- <sup>24</sup> And those *who are* Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

# III. What are two battles of the Constant War of an Old Life of Sin and a New Life in Christ?

# A. The battle between the sin of the flesh and the Holy Spirit.

### Galatians 5:17.

<sup>17</sup>For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

# B. The battle between the will to do good and evil that dwells in the sinful flesh.

### Romans 7:19-23.

- <sup>19</sup> For the good that I will *to do,* I do not do; but the evil I will not *to do,* that I practice.
- <sup>20</sup> Now if I do what I will not *to do,* it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me.
- <sup>21</sup> I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good.
- <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man.
- <sup>23</sup> 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.

# IV. How Do We Achieve Victory in the War Against Sin in Our Lives?

# A. We achieve victory over sin when we recognize that our victory over evil and the sins of the flesh is in Jesus Christ.

### 1 Corinthians 15:57.

<sup>57</sup> But thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

### Romans 7:24-25.

- <sup>24</sup> O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?
- <sup>25</sup> I thank God--through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

### **Romans 8:1-2.**

- <sup>1</sup> There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.
- <sup>2</sup> For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
- B. We achieve victory over sin when we completely surrender our lives to God by our complete acceptance of Jesus Christ.

### Romans 12:1-2.

- <sup>1</sup> I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.
- <sup>2</sup> And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.
- C. We achieve victory over sin when we end our past sinful conduct by sincerely accepting and practicing the teachings of Christ.

### **Ephesians 4:20-24.**

- <sup>20</sup> But you have not so learned Christ,
- if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:
- that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,
- <sup>23</sup> and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,
- <sup>24</sup> and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.