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Rom. 6:4, “Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

Rom. 8:4, “that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”

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Gal. 2:16, “knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.”

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**Paraphrase: Walk by means of the
Spirit and it will be impossible for you
to accomplish the lust of the flesh.**

Gal. 5:17, “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.

Gal. 5:18, “But if¹ you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.”

Gal. 5:19, “Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,

Gal. 5:20, “idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,

Gal. 5:21, “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.”

Gal. 5:22, “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

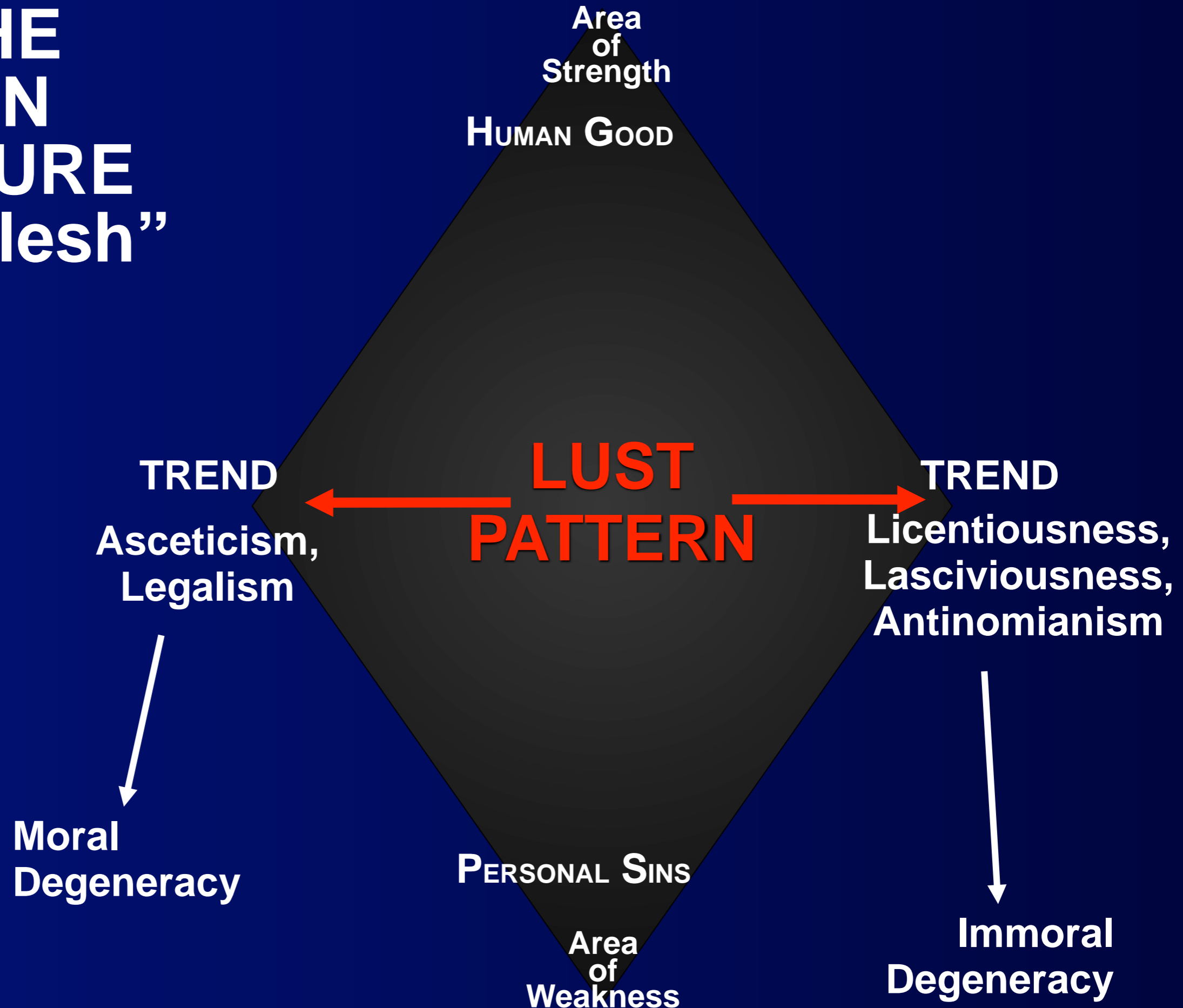
Gal. 5:23, “gentleness, self-control. against such there is no law.

Gal. 5:24, “And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.”

Conclusion

- 1. A Christian can either walk by the Spirit or according to the sin nature.**
- 2. It's either one or the other, but not both/and.**
- 3. When we walk by the Spirit, the Holy Spirit produces character changes in our lives.**
- 4. When we walk according to the sin nature, the traits of the sin nature are manifested.**

THE SIN NATURE “the flesh”



**2 Cor. 10:3, “For though we walk in the flesh,
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If we war according to the flesh, it’s wrong.

A right thing done a wrong way is wrong.

Eph. 4:1, “I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,”

Eph. 4:17, “This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind,”

Eph. 5:2, “And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.”

Eph. 5:8, “For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light”

Eph. 5:15, “See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,”

- 1. Walk in love, 5:2
but not in fornication, uncleanness or
covetousness, filthiness, foolish talking,
etc. 5:3, 4**
- 2. No such person has an inheritance in the
kingdom.**
- 3. Like Gal. 5:16ff, either one or the other.**

- 1. Walk as children of light, 5:8
produces the fruit of the Spirit.**
- 2. Contrasted with the darkness, vs. 11**
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- 1. Walk wisely, not as fools, 5:15
produces the fruit of the Spirit.**
- 2. Either filled by wine as a false means of
spirituality or be filled by means of the
Spirit, vs. 11**
- 3. Like Gal. 5:16ff, either one or the other.**

Eph. 5:18, “And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,”

filled *by means* of the Spirit.

The Spirit isn't what we are filled with, the Spirit is what God uses to fill us.

Eph. 5:18, “And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

Eph. 5:19, “speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

Eph. 5:20, “giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Eph. 5:21, “submitting to one another in the fear of God.

Eph. 5:22, “Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.”

Col. 3:16, “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

Col. 3:17, “And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Col. 3:18, “Wives, submit to your own husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

Col. 3:19, “Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them.

Col. 3:20, “Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.”

1 John 1:6, “If³ we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth;

1 John 1:7, “but if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.”

2 Cor. 13:14, “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.”

ETERNAL REALITIES

TEMPORAL REALITIES



ACTS 16:31

IN CHRIST
Baptism by the
Holy Spirit

Eph. 5:8, "For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord."

**FILLED BY
THE
HOLY SPIRIT**

... "Walk as children of light"

1 Jn. 1:9

**SIN
NATURE**

CARNALITY

Sin nature control



1 John 1:5, “This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

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1 John 1:7, “But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.”

1 John 1:8, “If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us.”

1 John 1:9, “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

1 John 1:10, “If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.”

- 1. Walking by means of the Spirit is equivalent to walking in the light.**
- 2. Walking in the light is contrasted to walking in darkness.**
- 3. Walking according to the flesh then is equivalent to walking in darkness.**
- 4. Walking in darkness means we don't have fellowship with one another, which also means we don't have fellowship with God.**

- 5. Every believer sins, the basis for forgiveness is the death of Christ on the cross.**
- 6. At the moment of faith alone in Christ alone we are forgiven of all sins positionally. For the Church Age believer this is realized through the baptism by means of the Holy Spirit.**
- 7. However, experientially, we still sin, we still walk according to the sin nature (flesh) and in darkness, so the question is, how do we recover?**
- 8. We need to be cleansed of sin experientially (John 13:1–11) which is forgiveness of sin.**

9. To be spiritual is contrasted with being carnal or walking according to the sin nature. To be spiritual means to walk by means of the Spirit so He can mature us through the Word of God.

The Spirit of God uses the Word of God to mature the child of God to conform us to the character of the Son of God.

Col. 1:10, “that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;”

THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

**PHASE
ONE**

Justification

**Positional
Sanctification**

**Freed from
Penalty of Sin**

**PHASE
Two**

**Spiritual
Life**

**Progressive
Sanctification**

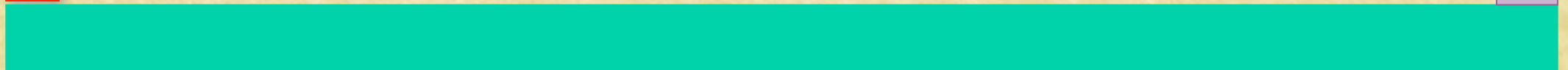
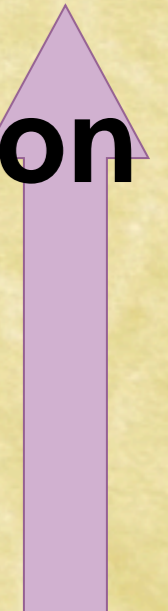
**Freed from
Power of Sin**

**PHASE
THREE**

Glorification

**Ultimate
Sanctification**

**Freed from
Presence of Sin**



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