

I Corinthians 6:19-20

¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰ For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

One thing that is certain is that each of us will give an account to God for what we have done with our own bodies. Some believers still put the same filth in their bodies that they did prior to asking Jesus to be their personal Lord and Savior. The problem is that too many times, people are taught that the only thing that matters is to make Jesus your Lord. Beloved that is not the only thing that matters; it is only the first thing. Jesus denied Himself for you and me; yet how many of us would ever deny ourselves anything for Him? The problem is that we don't recognize or believe that we were bought with a price. Of course we fully understand that when 'we' buy anything that it belongs to us. My friend, if Jesus Christ is your Lord, and then you have been bought and paid for with the most priceless possession of our Heavenly Father, His Son!

What we need to be reminded of, is that the Holy Spirit indwells within each of us. Have you ever gone to visit someone whose home was an absolute pig pen? It smelled, you couldn't walk through it, without walking on top of everything. The dishes weren't clean, dirty laundry is everywhere. That is exactly what many people expect the Holy Spirit to live in, with the unrepentant sin in their lives. We must grow up! I am not talking about legalism, but maturity. Legalism says that whenever you commit the smallest offense, then you are guilty of all. Grace says that you must endure; and when you fail you need to simply repent and continue on. But church, grace is not a license to sin! People seem to think that it doesn't matter what they do, as long as they don't forget to repent. Well if you repent, then you won't go back! Because repenting is turning away from what you are doing, without returning to it. Some people have played this game to the point that they have a reprobate mind. How terrifying a thought is that? To play a game with sin to the point where you lose your salvation.

For far too long, the church has been lethargic and apathetic. We have become undisciplined because we have become way too comfortable with sucking milk! We don't want to grow up. We want what we want. How are we ever going to fulfill the 'Great Commission' if our army is made up of a bunch of whining babies? The truth is that we need to take God's word literally, and to start applying it to our lives. We must stop pornography from coming in to our homes and minds, the drugs, alcohol and violence must cease and desist! No longer must we allow fornication, adultery and homosexuality in our lives! We need to stand up, and say not me, not any longer. Church we need to repent, and to turn from our sins, to return back to our God; with "Deeds and not Dialect" alone. We must learn to unite as the body of Christ, and stop allowing ourselves to be the fragmented and weakened church that exists today. Our only hope is Jesus Christ! Our only chance is if we stop playing games, and start getting real with Him for longer than a day. Church I exhort you to clean your house, to have the Holy Spirit come in and sweep away once and for all the sin that is defiling you! The choice is yours, "So choose wisely."