

FIGHTING FOR (NOT WITH) EACH OTHER

Galatians 5.14, 15 // November 1, 2020

IF YOU BITE AND DEVOUR

Psalm 133.1 // 1 Corinthians 1.10-12 // Philippians 2.1-4
1 Peter 3.8 // Galatians 5.16-21 // 1 Corinthians 3.3, 4, 13.1-3

Paul warned the various New Testament churches in multiple times and ways to be careful and mindful of not dividing. He says that when we bite and devour each other, we may eventually consume each other. This is completely against what it means to walk in the Spirit.

He even says to the Corinthians that even if they knew *everything* and even were being *burnt at the stake* for the Gospel, but lacked love, it was all nothing.

ACTING LIKE A NEW CREATION

**The one thing Christian believers are not to do
when engaged in conflict is to revert back to our
old, pre-conversion, flesh-driven ways of behavior.**

-Alexander Strauch

Jesus has saved us, not so that we can stay the same and act how we always have, but so that He would change us to be more like Him and then send us out as ministers of reconciliation. He does not need the strength of our flesh and human wisdom and ways to bring Him glory. Rather, He calls us to repent and have our minds renewed and transformed.

WHAT THEN?

How ought we go about living out our convictions and even voicing our opinions? All of our conversations, thoughts, opinions, attitudes, words, and social media posts ought to be saturated with the fruit of the Spirit. James says that a "harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace."

Galatians 5.22-26 // James 3.14-18 // 2 Timothy 2.24-26 // Romans 2.4
1 Peter 2.16, 17 // Titus 3.8-11 // 2 Timothy 2.14-17 // 1 Timothy 6.4, 5
Ephesians 4.1-3 // Colossians 3.12-15 // John 13.34, 35

**Believers are never told to become one;
because we can't.
In reality, by the blood of Christ,
we have already been made into one,
and we are expected to act like it.**



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Psalm 19:7

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **Galatians 5.14, 15**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Why is it so hard to walk by the Spirit and not give in to the flesh? What reward have you experienced when you have seen victory in learning how to walk by the Spirit?

Your Life Mission

If you have fractured relationships, what could you use prayer for that you might pursue making peace and finding unity with those people?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself**
 - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.
- **Repent and Confess**
 - Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision**
 - Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving**
 - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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