I have a question. If salvation means that everything is new, and all old problems washed away. Does that mean that one can do and behave in any manner they choose to hurt others, and then not atone, just have it all washed away as though it never happened? I have a problem with this.

There are many that hold to the Calvinistic teaching of once saved, always saved, this is a doctrine of demons.

The Apostle Paul addresses this in Ro 6:1-3 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? **God forbid.** How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ

(this takes place when we except salvation, as it says in Mr 16:16* He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved;)

When the bible says: 2Co 5:17* Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. It is talking about our Spirit and not our Body and Soul.

If you were fat before you got saved, you will still be fat after your saved or beautiful before, you will still be beautiful after. IT IS OUR SPIRIT thats born again, we are now as Holy in the spirit as we will ever be. BUT you cannot see your spirit nor observe your spirit, but after your saved, you can discern when the Lord speaks to you. Wether it be a Scripture that jumps off the page at you or a teaching that just seems to come alive or a small still voice that seems to flutter across your brain, you become alive to the voice of God.

THE MIND You have to retrain, if you want to walk with God in victory. Why do you think the scripture says:

Eph 4:23* And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

And how do we do this? By reading the scriptures, by listening to preaching and testimonies. The bible says: Ro 10:17* So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. And also

Ro 10:14* How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

1Co 1:21* For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

Nowadays it is hard to hear God led, Holy Ghost preaching, as the majority of denominations do not believe the true meaning of being baptized in the Holy Ghost

When you hear the word, you have to be willing to apply it towards your own life. and few will examine themselves. 2Co 13:5*

Tit 1:16* They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

THE BODY Yes you can even retrain your body, HOW DO YOU DO THIS?

By teaching your body what NO means, you say thats stupid, how do you do that? The same way you taught your children what NO means, "BY DISCIPLINE."

This is what fasting is all about, and believe me your prayer life and the effectual power of your prayer life is definitely enhanced by combining fasting and prayer.

When you first start to fast, your body will rebel and say I'm hungry, feed me. Some people believe their body when it comes to missing even one meal. Satan knows that fasting along with ones prayers puts him at a huge disadvantage, and he will try to emphasize your bodies demands.

When you sacrifice food to your body, and you set aside a certain time to seek the lord for a specific reason. God does honor this on your behalf.

Mr 9:29* And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

After a time of frequent fasts, your body will give up its complaints, if you train your body to fast, saying No to other forms of habits or addiction is a lot more positive.

I had a Food for Thought a while back, that said, "WE look for enemies where there is no enemies." In other words, Don't try to read other peoples motives, you will be wrong EVERY TIME.

I trust this will give you a better insight.

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