# INTHE WORLD BUT NOT OF IT

IN THIS E-BOOK, I TALK ABOUT GODLY AND UNGODLY LIVING AND HOW TO LIVE HOLY AND SET APART FROM THIS WORLD.

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#### CHAPTER I

What is unholiness? What does it mean to live unholy or ungodly?

Many people continue to live however they want to live without any thought of eternity or eternal consequences of sin. Unholiness is disregarding what is holy or it can be wickedness as well. Ungodliness is not accepting God or it could mean being sinful or wicked.

Ungodliness is living a Godless life. There are many people in the world living without Jesus Christ. Many are not reading the word of God to know what is godly and what is not. People are doing whatever they want to do or doing their own will rather than God's will.

There are literal Christians that are going to the bars and clubs, partying, getting drunk, and having sex outside of marriage. Sex outside of marriage is a sin and it is called fornication and it is leading many to hell.

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Ephesians 5:18 "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;"

- 1 Corinthians 6:18 "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body."
- 1 Thessalonians 4:3 "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:"

Many do dishonor their bodies and God by not waiting till marriage to have sex. God created marriage to be between a husband and a wife and not a boyfriend or girlfriend. Jesus Christ wants us to stay pure.

Drunkenness will take you to hell too. The Bible says to be "sober minded." 1 Peter 5:8

I am going to be sharing with you what is ungodly or unholy according to scripture in the Bible. Living according to the flesh or sinature is what leads to death and condemnation.

Romans 8:1 "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Chris Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

Romans 8:6-8 "For to be carnally minded i death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmit against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God."

Galatians 5:19-21 "Now the works of the flest are manifest, which are these; Adultery fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings and such like: of the which I tell you before, at I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

So if you are living according to the flesh of setting your mind on things of the flesh theory ou are at war with God and His enemy.

Philippians 3:18-19 "For many walk, of whom have told you often, and now tell you ever weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: whose end is destruction whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things."

It is those that walk in the Spirit that will have eternal life with Jesus Christ.

#### CHAPTER 2

What dose the Bible say about living holy? The Bible talks about putting off the old man with it's deeds and putting on the new man.

Ephesians 4:22-24 "That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

Are you living for the old man or the old sinful nature or the new man? Are you living for sin? or righteousness and holiness?

Romans 6:16 "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"

We are not saved by our works but we are created for good works and good works are evidence that our faith is genuine. Our faith in Christ will lead us to obey God and to keep His commandments.

John 14:15 "If ye love me, keep my commandments."

Hebrews 5:9 "And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him:"

Ephesians 2:10 "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them"

If you are still living for sin or a sinful lifestyle than you need to repent and turn away from those sins and strive to live holy. You cannot do it on your own without Jesus Christ. You need His help repenting and living holy.

Ask God for His grace and strength to overcome sin, lust, and temptations. Ask Him to help you to live holy and set apart from this world. You are in this world but you do not belong to it. You are made to stand out from this world and to be separate.

John 15:19 "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."

Hebrews 12:14 "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:"

Without living a holy life we will not see the Lord and we will be separated from Him. That is why it is important that we confess our sins to God and repent daily. It is important that our hearts are pure and clean every day.

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."

Every day try to read psalms 51 as a repentance prayer. Ask God to cleanse and purify your heart.

Psalm 51:9-10 "Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

#### CHAPTER 3

## WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT THE OLD MAN AND THE NEW MAN?

#### The old man

The Bible talks about putting off some things of the flesh and putting on the things of the Spirit. I will share some scripture on the old man.

Ephesians 4:29-32 "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers."

If you are still cussing and swearing and gossiping and slandering then you are still walking according to the old nature or the old man.

"And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."

"Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: 32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

Also if you are holding onto bitterness and unforgiveness than you are still walking according to the old man and sin nature. You may need to forgive those people who have done you wrong and let go so God can forgive you too.

#### The new man

Colossians 3:9-10 "...seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; and have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:"

Colossians 3:12-14 "Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies. kindness. humbleness of mind. meekness. longsuffering: forbearing one another. and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness."

These are the traits of the new man that Christians and believers should put on and yes we do not God's help with putting on the new man and new nature.

Galatians 5:22-23 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."

This is the fruit of the Spirit that believers should be walking in daily. If not pray that God would help you to bear and grow in the fruit of the Spirit.

#### CHAPTER 4

## WHAT IS SIN? WHAT IS REPENTANCE? HOW TO REPENT?

#### What is sin?

Sin is immorality, lawlessness or rebellion against God who is holy, just, and righteous.. Sin is doing evil and wickedness. Sin is also Godlessness.

Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"

Romans 3:10-12 "As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Isaiah 59:2 "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear."

Sin deserves a just reward and punishment which is death and hell for eternity.

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Jesus Christ loved us so much that He died for our sins and took our just wrath and punishment in His body on the cross so that we can be saved and have eternal life.

Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

#### What is repentance and how to repent?

We need to repent daily and turn away from our sins and put our faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

Repentance is a "change of mind" or a turning away from sin and turning back to God. It is making the decision to go in a different direction away from your sins.

How do we repent? Well we need to ask God to help us to repent and turn away from sin because we cannot do it on our own without Him. We need the Holy Spirit. We need His strength and power to overcome sin and temptation.

Matthew 6:13 "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."

Matthew 4:17 "From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Mark 1:15 "And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."

There is no salvation without repentance.

Luke 13:3 "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

### MY TESTIMONY ON UNGODLY AND UNHOLY LIVING

Before I came to Christ, I was living in willful sin and disobedience to God and His commands. I was living and serving satan and the world. I was not born again yet. I was living in sexual immorality, idolatry, adultery, lust, greed, rebellion, and disobedience. I was a lover of money, pleasure, and self. I loved listening and watching secular and worldly entertainment.

I was ruled by my flesh instead of the Holy Spirit. I am not sure whether or not I had the Holy Spirit living within me or if I have ever received Christ as my Lord and Savior. I had sins in my life that I had not confessed or repented of. I was headed for hell and destruction.

My eyes had been blinded spiritually ever since I was born and I needed the Holy Spirit to open my eyes to the truth and that was Christ and the gospel.

That is was happened in 2015. I became new and alive in Christ Jesus. My old life was behind me and I became a new person and creation in Christ Jesus. I became born again when I received Christ as my Lord and Savior. When I came to Christ I repented of my past sins and I was forgiven and cleansed by the blood of the Lamb. I still struggled with sin as we all do at times.

It was an ongoing battle and struggle. But I started to learn and grow in my faith and relationship with Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit convicted me of my sins through His word the bible. I was going through the process of sanctification. I was becoming more holy and set apart from this world. I was in the world but I was not of it.

I came to Christ through a friend in school. I struggled with mental illness such as social anxiety and depression. I took medication to treat it. I told this friend outside of class about the mental illness and she told me about Jesus Christ and how He can heal my mind and deliver me.

Ever since that day my life has changed forever. I asked the Lord Jesus Christ to come into my life and to forgive me for all my sins. I started a personal relationship with God and started to seek Him by reading the bible, praying, worshiping God, fellowship, etc.

My blinders were removed from eyes and I began to see things for what they really are spiritually. I am no longer lost and dead in sin. But I am now alive in Christ and resurrected from the dead. I got baptized in 2022. I was buried with Christ in baptism and raised to new life. I am now a born again child of God and seated with Christ in the heavenly places.

2 Corinthians 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."

Romans 6:4 "Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

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