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Acts 2 verse 37

Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what are we to do?"

What Shall We Do?

God in the Old Testament, **Jesus** on the earth in the New Testament, The **Holy Spirit** after Jesus' ascension and the **Saints** (God's people) today all confronted or still confront sin in their personal lives and Church/Kingdom life.

No confrontation – war, no reconciliation – peace.

The Ten Commandments

1 Ephesians 5 verse 1

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; be imitators of God.

2 Ephesians 5 verse 2

...and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

Walk in love (spirit).

3 Ephesians 5 verse 3-10

But sexual immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be mentioned among you, as is proper among saints; 4 and there must be no filthiness or foolish talk, or vulgar joking, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

5 For this you know with certainty, that no sexually immoral or impure or greedy person, which amounts to an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. 6 See that no one deceives you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not become partners with them; 8 for you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), 10 as you try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.

Confront all sin.

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4. Ephesians 5 verse 11-12

Do not participate in the useless deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; 12 for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret.

Confront those who do!

5. Ephesians 5 verse 15-16

So then, be careful how you walk, not as unwise people but as wise, 16 making the most of your time, because the days are evil.

Take care, be wise.

6. Ephesians 5 verse 17

Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

7. Ephesians 5 verse 18-21

And do not get drunk with wine, in which there is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your hearts to the Lord; 20 always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our God and Father; 21 and subject yourselves to one another in the fear of Christ.

Be filled with the Holy Spirit, fear the Lord.

Prayer

Prayer is dialogue, not monologue. I speak to God – directly. He replies within me and/or through His word and sometimes through other people. Other ways: a song, scripture, etcetera.

There are three phases of faith that we go through when we pray.

1st Phase – we need/have faith when we have favourable emotions.

2nd Phase – we need/have faith when there is an absence of favourable emotions.

3rd phase – we need/have faith when circumstances, emotions and appearances are contrary to what is happening.

Abraham is a good example. We need both Abraham's faith and Job's patience.

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Scriptures concerning prayers of Faith

Matthew 6 verse 9-15

"Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. 14 For if you forgive other people for their offenses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive other people, then your Father will not forgive your offenses. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.'"

Luke 18 verse 1-6

Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart, 2 saying, "In a certain city there was a judge who did not fear God and did not respect man. There was a widow in that city, and she kept coming to him, saying, 'Give me legal protection from my opponent.' 4 For a while he was unwilling; but afterward he said to himself, 'Even though I do not fear God nor respect man, 5 yet because this widow bothers me, I will give her legal protection, otherwise by continually coming she will wear me out.'"

Hebrews 11 verse 1-6

Now faith is the certainty of things hoped for, a proof of things not seen. 2 For by it the people of old gained approval. 3 By faith we understand that the world has been created by the word of God so that what is seen has not been made out of things that are visible. 4 By faith Abel offered to God a better sacrifice than Cain, through which he was attested to be righteous, God testifying about his gifts, and through faith, though he is dead, he still speaks. 5 By faith Enoch was taken up so that he would not see death; and he was not found because God took him up; for before he was taken up, he was attested to have been pleasing to God.

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6 And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for the one who comes to God must believe that He exists, and that He proves to be One who rewards those who seek Him.

James 5 verse 13-18

Is anyone among you suffering? Then he must pray. Is anyone cheerful? He is to sing praises. 14 Is anyone among you sick? Then he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; 15 and the prayer of faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. 16 Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. A prayer of a righteous person, when it is brought about, can accomplish much. 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months. 18 Then he prayed again, and the sky poured rain and the earth produced its fruit.

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