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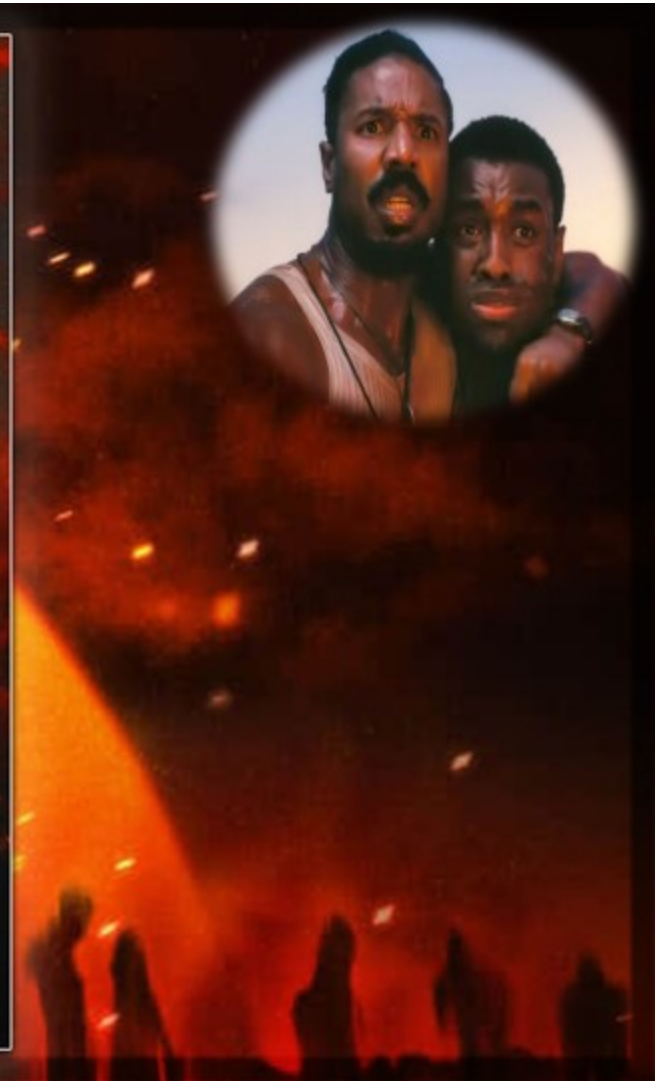
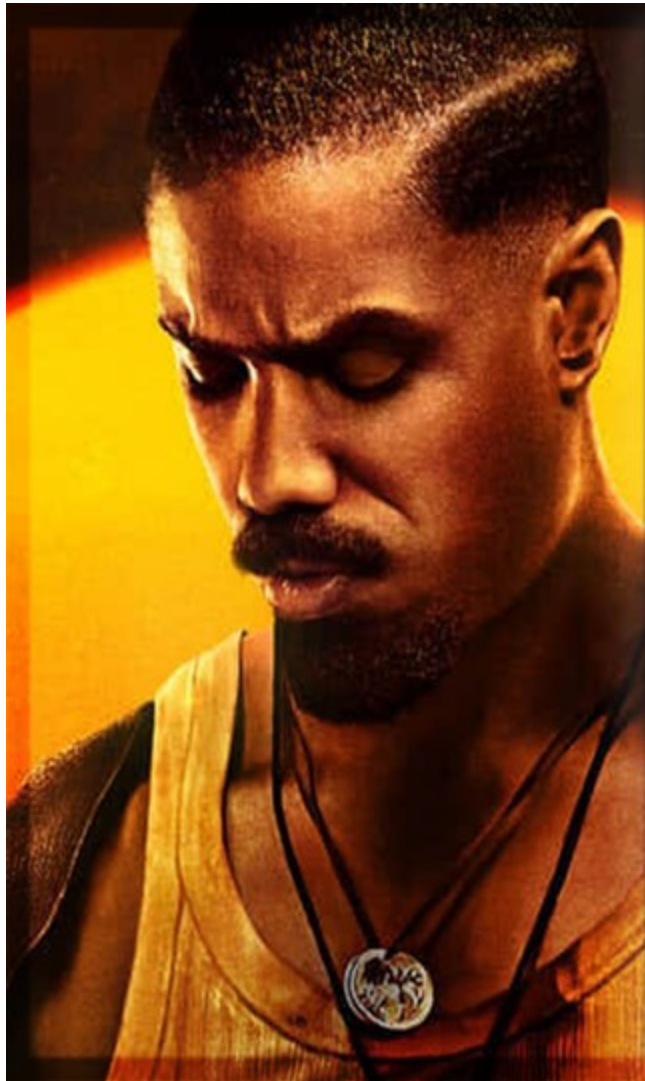


PERSON of CHRIST!



COLOSSIANS!

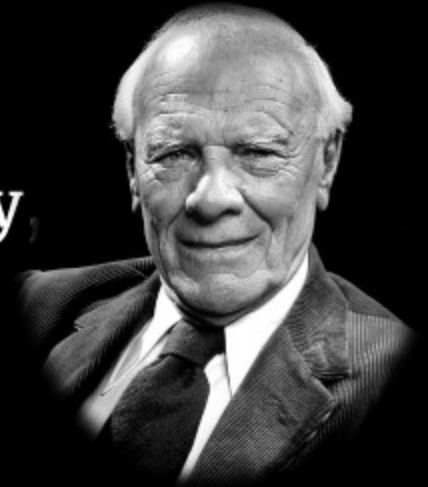
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**Sex is the Substitute Religion of the
Century . . . “The orgasm has replaced the
Cross as the focus of longing and the
image of fulfillment.”**



Which One of Us is Me — a True Believer?

Themes in Colossians!

Parallels, Colossians & Present Church Age!

Christ's Supremacy/Sufficiency! He's Enough!

The Colossian Heresies . . . Then & Today!



**Do Not Drift! You Are Built — Be
the PERSON of CHRIST!**

Paul's Letter — Colossians!

Colossians 1: 1 – 9

“Sameness” Colossae — 21st

C. Church! Pt I





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Previous Teaching . . . Week I

- I. “Sameness” Colossae — 21st C. Church! Pt I
 - a. Paul is the Author . . . “Instructive Salutation!”
 - i. Paul’s Authority – His “Apostleship!”
 - ii. Paul’s Audience – “Colossians/21st C. Church!”
 - b. Paul’s Reason, Letter . . . His Disciple
“Epaphras, Planted the Colossian Church!”





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“Sameness” Colossians & 21st Century Church! Part I

Paul’s Answer to the Church:

You Are The
PERSON of CHRIST!

Preeminence of Christ!
CHRIST IS ENOUGH!



Paul's Letter — Colossians!

Colossians 1: 9 – 14; 15 – 20

“Sameness” Colossae — 21st

C. Church! Pt II





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“Sameness” Colossians & 21st Century Church! Part II “Know the Person of Christ!”

“Gotta Know Your Christology – HE IS!”





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Previous Teaching . . . Week II

- I. “Sameness” Colossae—21st C. Church! Pt II
 - a. Paul’s . . . “Crafted Prayer & Systematic Instructions” – Colossians & 21st C. Church!
 - i. Paul’s Answer – “Diet, Doctrine & Devotion!”
 - ii. Paul’s Clarion Call . . . You’ve Got to Know the “Person of Christ, Your Christology!”
 - iii. Person of Christ – “Christ Must be First!”





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“Sameness” Colossians & 21st Century Church! Part II

“Spiritually Cooked Mind:”

Spiritual Intelligence!

Pleases God Continuously

Produces Fruit Constantly

Progress in Knowledge Consistently!



Paul's Letter — Colossians!

Colossians 1: 24 - 29

“Paul's Highest Priority —
Church in Colossae!”

Week III





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“Paul’s Highest Priority!”
The Church in Colossae!

The Highest Priority in the Church:
Present Everyone Believer “Mature in
Christ — Fully Grown & Complete!”
A Transcendent Life!

“PERSON of CHRIST!”





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Previous Teaching . . . Week III

I. Paul's Highest Priority — Church in Colossae!

a. Sp. Transcendent Life . . . Call to Ministry;
Privilege — “Rejoice in Suffering!”

i. Power of the Gospel – “Salvation/Conversion!”

b. Sp. Transcendent Life . . . “Life of Stewarding!”

i. Love for Christ/Church – “Persevere

Diligently & Faithfully in Sharing the Gospel!”





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Previous Teaching . . . Week III

I. Paul's Highest Priority—Church in Colossae!

c. Sp. Transcendent Life . . . “Call to Serve!”

i. Your Specific Assignment – “Gifts; Time; Talents & Financial Resources!”

d. Sp. Transcendent Life . . . “Striving” Labor in the Strength God's Provides!”

i. Call of Ministry – “Persevere in God's Power!”



Paul's Letter — Colossians!

Paul's Love & Caution:

Gnostics & Heresies

“Are Not the Way, the Truth & the Life!”

Walk in Him!

You Are Complete!





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Previous Teaching . . . Week IV

I. Gnostics & Religion — Are Not the Way, the Truth & the Life!

a. Paul's Love & Caution . . . “Beware, Jesus + Religion!”

i. Gnosticism – “Legalism/Mysticism/Asceticism!”

b. Paul's Exhort . . . “Let No One Disqualify You!”

i. You Are Complete – “He IS, Walk in Him!”





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Gnostics & Religion—Are
“Not the Way, the Truth & Life!”

Paul’s Love & Caution!



Let No One Judge You!

Beware! Religion of Legalism:

Let No One Declare You Unworthy!

Beware! Religion of Mysticism:

Let No One Enslave You!

Beware! Religion of Asceticism:



Paul's Letter — Colossians!

Colossians 3: 1 - 4

“Wanted— DEAD & ALIVE!”

Week V





Previous Teaching . . . Week V

I. WANTED . . . “DEAD & ALIVE!”

- a. Heavenly Treasures . . . “Dead/Alive w/Christ!”
 - i. Dead to Sin – “Affections, Attitudes & Actions!”
 - ii. First Step . . . “Seek & Set Your Mind!”
 - a. Sp. Competence . . . “Learning Before Living!”
 - iii. Positional/Gospel Identities Above – Died!
Raised! Hidden! & Glorified!”



WANTED

DEAD AND ALIVE



REWARD “HEAVEN!”



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“How God See His Church!”
Wanted “Dead & Alive!”

Positional & Gospel Identities Above:

ID 1: Died with Christ! Death Swallowed Up!

ID 2: Raised w/Christ! Past—Been Changed!

ID 3: Hidden in Christ! Present—Been Changed!

ID 4: Glorified in Christ! Future—Been Changed!





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“How God See His Church!”
Wanted “Dead & Alive!”

First Step . . . “Set Your Mind:
“Learn it, Before You Live it:”

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To have Understanding & Wisdom; to Feel, to
Think; to Direct one’s Mind to a Thing, to Seek,
& Strive for!





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“How God See His Church!”
Wanted “Dead & Alive!”

First Step . . . “Set Your Mind:
“Learn it, Before You Live it:”

- ☞ Love God! Mark 12: 30
- ☞ Live the Word! Colossians 3:16; 1 John 2: 17
- ☞ Listen & Learn! 2 Corint 13: 5; Colossians 3: 10
- ☞ Redeem the Time! Ephesians 5: 15 - 18





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“How God See His Church!” First Step . . . “Set Your Mind:”

Knowledge & Wisdom
Don't Be Ignorant!



Unconscious
Competence

I Know Well! I Don't
Have to Think About it!

Conscious
Competence

I Know But I Have to Think About it!

Conscious
Incompetence

I Know I Don't Know!

Unconscious
Incompetence

I Don't Know I Don't Know!



Paul's Letter — Colossians!

Colossians 3: 5 - 14

“The Believer's PIVOT!”

Week VI



 You Are The
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Learning OBJ ... This Teaching

The Instant You Accepted Jesus Christ as Your
Lord & Savior & You Said “Yes Lord, I
Acknowledge My Sin ... Yes Lord, I Believe, I
Surrender & Place My Life — Mind, Body &
Soul in Your Hands; ... The Instant You said
Lord, I Will Subject My Entire Life, to Your
Word & Your Way: ...



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Learning OBJ ... This Teaching

... Beloved Disciple of Christ, it is to be
Understood—with Your Declaration of
Salvation, the Instant Your **Conversion** Took
Place—Immediately You Were “**Unshackled —
Loosed**” from Adam & Eve’s Original
“**Street Clothes!**”





PPT Wisdom Key . . . This Teaching

An Instant Result with Rebirth & a New Life in Christ . . . a **Change** Happens within the **Sp. Genetics** of Our **Sinful Nature** — its Earthly Members: The **Holy Spirit** Came Alongside to Guide & Help You Become “**Heavenly Minded**” in Christ . . . to **Love** what Jesus Loves; to **Think** like Jesus **Thinks** to **Act** like Jesus **Would Act** . . .





PPT Wisdom Key . . . This Teaching

. . . in Every Situation. Your Old Life Has Been Destroyed by “Putting Off” Your “Street Clothes!” You “Put On” Your New Clothes & New Life by “Leaving, Loathing & Never Going Back” to the “Behaviors, Patterns & Habits” of the “Old You & First Adam!”

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!





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BIG Question(s) . . . This Teaching

Are You Living a “**Resurrected**” Life — “**Dead & Alive**” in Christ? . . . Or Are You Living a “**Resuscitated**” Life? **Resuscitate** — to Revive, Especially from Death or Unconsciousness . . . Returned Back to Normal or the Original State!

Did You DIE in CHRIST?





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Today's Teaching . . . Week VI

I. The Believer's "PIVOT!"

a. Adam & Eve's PIVOT . . . "Street Clothes!"

i. Hide Sin w/Worthless Fig Leaves – God
Provided "Acceptable Covering & Sacrifice!"

b. Put to Death . . . "Fetishes of the Flesh!"

i. Put Off – Leave & Loathe "Street Clothes!"

a. Unshackle Self – Earthly Members, "Sin!"





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Today's Teaching . . . Week VI

I. The Believer's "PIVOT!"

c. Believer's Clothing . . . 3 Types, Sp. Clothes!"

i. Put On – "Behaviors, Patterns & Habits!"

ii. Set Your Mind & Keep it Set – "Do These!"



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Biblical Anchors . . . This Teaching

1 John 3: 7 - 10

“Dear Children, don’t let anyone deceive you:
If you are **constantly** doing **what is good**, it is
because **you are good**, even as **He is**. But if you
keep on sinning, it shows that **you belong to satan**,
who since he first began to Sin — has **kept steadily**
at it. But the Son of God came to Destroy these
Works of the devil. . . .



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Biblical Anchors . . . This Teaching

1 John 3: 7 - 10

. . . The Person who has been Born into God's Family does not make a Practice of Sinning because now, God's Life is in him . . . so he can't keep on sinning, for this New Life has been Born into him & Controls him — he has been Born Again. So now we can Identify who is a Child of God & who belongs to satan. . . .



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Biblical Anchors . . . This Teaching

1 John 3: 7 - 10

. . . Whoever is Living a **Life of Sin** and doesn't
Love their Brother shows, they are not in
God's Family!"



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Biblical Anchors . . . This Teaching

Romans 2: 14; 15

“God Will Punish Sin wherever it is found; **Life** that is Continually **Learning** More and More of What is Right . . . after all, **Salvation** is not given to those who know what to do, **unless they do it**. The day will surely come when at God’s command Jesus Christ will **Judge the Secret Lives** . . .



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Biblical Anchors . . . This Teaching

Romans 2: 14; 15

. . . of everyone — their inmost thoughts and motives; this is all part of God's Great Plan, which I proclaim.”



“The Believer’s PIVOT!”

Colossians 3: 5–14

“Be Killing Sin NOW!”



Adam & Eve's PIVOT!
“Fig Leaves—Street Clothes:”
Genesis 3: 7



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Adam & Eve's PIVOT!

“Fig Leaves—Street Clothes:”

Genesis 3: 7

“Suddenly their eyes were opened to a reality previously unknown. Adam & Eve hid from God — They Put On Worthless Fig Leaves to Try & Cover themselves!”



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Adam & Eve's PIVOT!

“Fig Leaves—Street Clothes:”

- ☞ Rejection/Rebellion — God's Love!
- ☞ Separation; Guilt; Shame; Humiliation!
- ☞ Domain of Darkness; Dishonor & Disrespect!
- ☞ Spiritual Ignorance!
- ☞ The Wrath of God – Sp. Death to Mankind!



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Adam & Eve's PIVOT!

“Fig Leaves—Street Clothes:”

“God Provided an Acceptable Covering:”

Genesis 3: 21

“The Lord God made Garments of Animal Skin
(Blood Sacrifice to Cover their Sin) for Adam and
his wife He Clothed them!”



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Biblical Examples & PIVOTING!

“Fig Leaves—Street Clothes:”

- ☞ Israel's Idolatry! Lot's Wife! King Saul!
- ☞ Eli & His Sons! Samson! David & Bathsheba!
- ☞ Religious Leaders! Ananias & Sapphira!
- ☞ Judas! Demas! Scores of Church Folk Today!



PUT OFF YOUR

~~OLD SELF~~

PUT ON YOUR

NEW SELF

Colossians 3: 5 – 9

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The Believer's PIVOT!

Put to Death “Fetishes of the Flesh?”

Leave & Loathe “Street Clothes:”

Dishonorable & Immoral Sins—**Earthly Members** Rooted in the Evil Enticements of the Adversary (satan); Personal Pursuits of Sensual Pleasures & Desires!

Persons Who Are **Shackled & Chained** to Sin “Street Clothes!”





Believer's PIVOT:
Leave & Loathe!
"Street Clothes"
"Unshackle to "SIN!"



Are You “Shackled & Chained”
“Fetishes of the Flesh?”

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The Believer's PIVOT!

Put to Death “Fetishes of the Flesh?”

Romans 6: 1

“Shall We Sin to our Heart's Content and See
how far we can Exploit the Grace of God?

What a Ghastly Thought! We, who have Died to
Sin—how Could We Knowingly Live in Sin a
Moment Longer?”



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Imagery — 3 Types of Spiritual Clothing!

Clothe “Salvation — Righteousness:”

Isaiah 61: 10

“I will greatly rejoice—my soul will exult in my God; for He has Clothed Me with the Garments of Salvation, He has Covered Me with the Robe of Righteousness, as a Bridegroom decks himself for a wedding & as a Bride adorns herself with garland & her jewels!”



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Imagery — 3 Types of Spiritual Clothing!

Clothe “Armor of God:”

Ephesians 6: 10 - 18

“Be **Strong** in the Lord and in the **Power (Strength)** of His Might — **Put On the Full Armor of God**, so that You will be able to Stand Firm Against the **Schemes of the devil.**” ... Belt of Truth; Breastplate ...



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Imagery — 3 Types of Spiritual Clothing!

Clothes “New Life” in Christ:

Colossians 3: 10 - 14

- † Compassion! Kindness! Humility!
- † Gentleness! Patience! Forgiveness!
- † Love! Generate Perfect Unity!



**“Set Your Mind – Keep it Set!”
“Do These!”**



Colossians 3: 10 – 14

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The Believer's PIVOT!

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!

“Do These & Break the Chain!”

† Make no Provision for Your Flesh! Put on Jesus!
Romans 13: 14

† Offer Yourself as Slaves to Righteousness that
Leads to Holiness! Romans 6: 19

† Control Your Thought Life! 2 Corinthians 10: 4-5



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!

“Do These & Break the Chain!”

† Put on the Garments of Praise & Thanksgiving!

Romans 13: 14

† Pray – When the Righteous Cry for Help, the Lord
Hears & Delivers Them! Psalms 34: 17

† Live a Sanctified Life! 1 Corinthians 6: 9 - 11



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!

“Do These & Break the Chain!”

† Develop a Life of Spiritual Accountability!

“Faithful are the Wounds of a Friend!” Psalms 27: 6

† Be Grateful for a God Who Loves You! “Offer to
God Acceptable worship, with reverence & Awe!”
Hebrews 12: 28



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!

“Do These & Break the Chain!”

True Believers are “PIVOTERs:”

They Do Not Run After Sin — They Run From
Sin — They Never Enjoy Sin!



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!

“Do These & Break the Chain!”

2 Timothy 2: 22

“Run from **anything** that gives you the **evil thoughts** that young men often have, but **stay close to anything** that makes you **want to do right**. Have **Faith** and **Love**; Enjoy the **Fellowship/Companionship** of those who **Love the Lord** and have **Pure Hearts!**”



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The Believer's PIVOT!

Set Your Mind & Keep it Set!

“Sin is Inevitable, but it is Never Necessary.”
It is Never Something You Say to Your **SELF**,
“I have to do it!” *John Stott*





“Nominal Churches” Create
“Nominal Christians!”