

THINGS THAT NEED TO BE IN YOU

Joh 4:13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

Joh 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; **but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.**

Joh 4:15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw.

1. **Be in you as a well**, springing, gushing, bubbling up and flowing forth within us, ever fresh, this living water. The indwelling of the Holy Ghost which is the Spirit of Christ is in the secret of our lives with its enduring energies and satisfactions, as in expressed John, "**Never Thirst**." Meaning that the source of this living waters simply is supplied from within us.
2. **Springing Up into everlasting Life**: It is a seed which remains, an immortal and never dying principle; it is inseparably connected with eternal life; it is the beginning of it, and it issues in it; whosoever has grace, shall have glory; and whosoever are called, sanctified, justified, and pardoned shall be glorified.

Joh 14:17 *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, **and shall be in you.**

Joh 14:18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Heb 8:10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

2Co 3:3 *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.

Col 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

BATTLE FROM WITHIN

1. **The battle from within is greater then the battle from without.** Two natures trying to exist in the same body. Number one the sinful nature and the divine nature of God.

Mar 7:20 And he said, That which proceedeth out of the man, that defileth the man.

2. **Paul's battle with the flesh:**

Rom 7:21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

Rom 7:22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

Rom 7:23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

Rom 7:24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

Rom 7:25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

who shall deliver me from the body of this death? or "this body of death"; by which some understand, this mortal body, or the body of flesh subject to death for sin; and suppose the apostle expresses his desire to quit it, to depart out of it, that he might enjoy an immortal life,

“Who shall deliver me from this body of death?": represents the body as a burden to the soul, which "it carries about as a dead carcass", and never lays down from his birth till his death:

3. **Keep Thy Heart:**

Pro 4:23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life.

THINGS IN US THAT WILL CAUSE US TO NEVER FALL

2Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

2Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

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As his Divine power - His power, **which no power can resist**, because it is Divine - that which properly belongs to the infinite Godhead.

Joh 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

Joh 1:12 But as many as received him, **to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:**

Joh 1:13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

FAITH RESULTS IN SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. **Where there is life, there must be growth.** The new birth is not the end; it is the beginning. God gives His children all they need to live godly lives, but His children must apply themselves and be diligent to use the “**means of grace**” He has provided.
2. Spiritual growth is not automatic, It requires cooperation with God and the application of spiritual diligence and discipline. (Work out your own salvation.)

2Pe 1:5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

1. **Giving all diligence:**

Giving all diligence - Greek, “Bringing in all zeal or effort.

2. **Add to your faith Virtue:** (Faith cometh by hearing)

Virtue - Courage or fortitude, to enable you to profess the faith before men, in these times of persecution.

3. **To Virtue Knowledge:** This kind of knowledge does not come automatically. It comes from obedience to the will of God in the Christian life.

Joh 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself.

2Pe 1:6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

4. **And to Knowledge Temperance:** It means self-control “He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city” (Prov. 16:32).

5. **And to Temperance Patience:** The ability to endure when circumstances are difficult. How to handle the pressures and problems and the trials of life.

6. **And to Patience Godliness:** Means “God-likeness” It describes the man who is right in his relationship with God and with his fellowman. It is the quality of character that makes a person distinctive.

2Pe 1:7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

7. **And to Godliness Brotherly Kindness:** (Philadelphia in the Greek).

1Pe 1:22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently:

a. "Let brotherly love continue" (Heb 13:11). "Be kind affectioned one to another with brotherly love." (Romans 12:10).

8. **And to brotherly kindness, Charity:** We love because of God's love shed abroad in our hearts. We love with agape love, we love in spite of the differences we have.

2Pe 1:9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

2Pe 1:10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

THREE EVIDENCES OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. **Fruitfulness (v.8):** The believer who is not growing is idle (barren) and unfruitful. His knowledge of Jesus Christ is producing nothing practical in his life. The word translated "Idle" also means "ineffective."
2. **Vision (v9):** Before we come to God a persons eyes are closed and cannot see the kingdom of God (Satan Blinded) But after our eyes are opened, it is important that we increase our vision and see all that God wants us to see. The phrase **cannot see afar off** is the translation of a word that means "**shortsighted.**" It is the picture of somebody closing or squinting his eyes, unable to see at a distance.
3. **Security (v. 10-11):** It is not the profession of faith that guarantees that we are saved; it is our progression in the faith that gives us the assurance.

Jud 1:20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Jud 1:21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.