## 1 Corinthians 6:9-10

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

How many times do we read that fornicators, drunkards, homosexuals, etc. will not *inherit the Kingdom of God* and think how it's practiced and lived out in the world. Yet we forget that this passage is talking to the church, not to the world.

1 Corinthians 6:11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

And if we look in the church, how many of those things are being practiced in the church today?

- How many in the church live together outside of marriage committing fornication?
- How many in the church drink to excess and are closet drunkards?
- How many in the church covet or drool over what others have, thinking of ways that they can get the same thing?
- How many in the church steal or are thieves, lying on their timecards or on their taxes?
- How many worship idols, and not even idols of this world, but have made Pastors or Christian musicians the object of their worship?

Yet people tend to not address these things in the church, because they don't want to hear the dreaded, "Don't judge lest you be judged" that sinners so love to quote (Out of context of course). But you say God's Grace will forgive me or those doing such things in the church. Then let me ask you this, are you using or allowing God's grace as your excuse to sin, or to allow others to sin?

When you do, you seem to forget that; "For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's." 1 Corinthians 6:20

I love the saying that I heard before that says that, "Grace is for falling, not jumping" Simply meaning Grace is there because the Lord knows that we will given in and fall once in a while into sin, but also that we will get back up and repent of our sins moving forward in our walk with the Lord. As opposed to just jumping right into sin, with no struggles, knowing it is wrong.

This saying is based upon Romans chapter 6

Grace is for falling: What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? Romans 6:1

Not for jumping: What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! Romans 6:15

We all have struggles in life with sin, and if you think about it, that is a good thing, because when you struggle (fall) you are saying that God's word is right and you are trying to live a life that is pleasing to Him.

On the other hand, if you don't struggle, then that means that you are just giving in to sin (Jumping) and could care less what God thinks or says in His word.

Romans 6:15-16 What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

When you give into sin willfully, at that point you are making satan lord over your life. But when you fight against committing sin, you are saying that Jesus is Lord of your life.

So you have a choice, you can fight like a Warrior of God that we all claim to be. Or just give up and surrender to sin, giving in to the enemy. The choice is yours.

₱ Ephesians 6:12-13 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.