

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Today I want us to focus on one part of this verse, and that is: *it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me* (underlined for emphasis)

Think about that for a moment. *If Christ is living in you, then what is Christ living through you?* I know it's really kind of hard to imagine Christ living in you and putting my question together with that. So let's look at it this way. Let say that you have a 4 year old daughter, who is with you 100% of the time. So everything you do and say, your little four year old daughter is exposed to.

So, what are you exposing her to?

What kind of movies or TV shows is she seeing and what kind of words is she hearing from them while she is sitting next to you?

What are her little eyes being exposed to in these movies you watch? Are some of them so bad that you would even be embarrassed for your grandmother to see?

What about the music you listen to, what kind of lyrics are you exposing her to as you dance around with her (sex, partying, drugs, alcohol, worshipping God)?

What about the places you go to, where are you taking her? Bars, clubs, the library, church?

How about the internet, what is she seeing on your computer, or your phone or tablet while she is sitting on your lap looking at the screen?

What about the things you say to others, or even about others that she hears while she is sitting next to you playing with her toys?

What about the things you are texting to others, and what pictures are you sending, or what are you posting on Social Media?

Need I go on?

But society has told us lies that we have believed growing up, and that lie is that once you reach a certain age, it's ok to commit certain sins.

Show me in the bible where it says that at the age of 21 it's ok to get drunk?

Or at the age of 18 it's ok to live with someone or have sex outside of marriage?

Or worse, where does it say at the age of 17 and older it's ok to watch movies with nudity and sex in them?

Let's make it more personal even yet, where does it say at the age of over 20, or 30, or 40, or 50, or 60 ,,,, that these things are okay?

Show me in the bible where it says at any age, even as a child (or adult) someone can decide what their gender is, and if they don't like the gender that God made them, then they can change it.

Now, with all these things in mind. As a Christian, let me ask you the same question as I did in the opening of today's devotional.

If Christ is living in you, then what is Christ living through you?

Would you really expose your little girl to these things? If not why are you exposing Christ, Who is living in you, to these things? Because if you are doing or allowing any of these into your life, you are exposing them to Christ. You know, the one Who actually died for these things.

† **Galatians 6:7-8** *Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.*

Is Christ living any of these through you? If yes, simply repent (Run away from them) and confess them to the Lord (*calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ*) and ask His forgiveness, and He will forgive you.

† **1 Corinthians 6:9-11 (NLT2)** *Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or who worship idols, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice homosexuality, or are thieves, or greedy people, or drunkards, or are abusive, or cheat people—none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God. Some of you were once like that. But you were cleansed; you were made holy; you were made right with God by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.*