

Grace Baptist LIFE Groups
Sin, Lesson 5: How can we be victorious?

Defining our terms:

- **Old self - the old us**
 - Under sin's dominion
 - _____ at our conversion
 - _____ with Christ
 - Not _____, but not yet _____
 - Includes our entire person and the whole community

- **New self - the new us**
 - Free from sin's dominion
 - _____ at our conversion
 - _____ with Christ
 - Not _____, but not yet _____
 - Includes our entire person and the whole community

- ***Flesh* - the sinful part of us**
 - Completely sinful, hostile, and rebellious
 - _____ the old us and still _____ the new us
 - Can be _____, though not completely _____
 - Obeying the flesh leads to _____.

- **SPIRIT - God in us**
 - _____ us at conversion
 - Gives _____ from and _____ over sin
 - _____ our identity as God's children
 - Obeying the Spirit leads to _____.

Seeing ourselves accurately:

- A new creature in Christ, new replacing the old
- Influenced but not controlled by the flesh
- Indwelt by and can be led by the Spirit
- We face a choice between masters.

This is essentially _____!

- Restoring me to look like Jesus Christ, the original image of God.
- A lifelong process.
- The result is a new community of people, a new humanity (Eph. 2:15), without any marginal distinction (Col. 3:11).

Scenarios (the “already/not yet” tension): Yes? No?

- I am still totally depraved.

- I’m hopeless.

- I have arrived! I am now perfect!

How do we combat temptation? (Romans 6):

- _____: I have been identified with Christ.
- _____: I am dead to sin and free from its power.
- _____: I act as a slave of righteousness.