



Main point - Do not coddle canceled sin, kill canceled sin

- 1 - You are in a holy war
- 2 - You must know the enemy within
- 3 - You must experience the power of the Spirit

#1:

“We all (face the difficulty) of living in this highly pressurized, haste-filled, faster-than-fast, here-today-and-gone-tomorrow, impermanent, noisy, and intrusive kind of world. Let us not think that such an environment leaves us unscathed or that it has no impact upon our ability to know and love God. This God, against everything our culture judges to be reasonable, against everything we judge to be reasonable, actually comes to us and bids us die. We cannot know him unless we die. We cannot walk with him unless we are constantly dying to all that is perverted, dark, willful, self-centered, and self-serving within ourselves.”

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#2:

Gal. 5:17

For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.

#3:

“There is no duty we perform for God that sin does not oppose. And the more spirituality (or holiness) there is in what we do, the greater is its enmity to it. Those who seek most for God experience the strongest opposition.”

John Owen

#4:

“The Power of indwelling sin is no less real in the believer than it is in the unbeliever... Freedom from the dominion of sin is not the same thing as freedom from its presence and influence.”

Sinclair Ferguson

#5:

“Sinful and rebellious though we are, we are also the children of grace in whom the Holy Spirit resides. Christ’s redemption is not going to be stopped cold by the very sin he went to the cross to overcome! Scripture gives abundant evidence of the fact that we can, indeed, please God, do what is right, and become, in our characters, men and women of God...(we are being) progressively transformed!”

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