

# **GOD'S EXTREME MAKEOVER**

*Looking Good From The Inside-Out – Part 1*

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## **Galatians 5:22-23**

### **1. THE RIGHT PICTURE.**

*“But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives, He will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Here there is no conflict with the law.” Galatians 5:22-23 (NLT)*

<b>Love</b>	<b>Joy</b>	<b>Peace</b>
<b>Patience</b>	<b>Kindness</b>	<b>Goodness</b>
<b>Faithfulness</b>	<b>Gentleness</b>	<b>Self-control</b>

**God's Picture For Me: Christ-like Character**

### **2. THE REAL PROBLEM.**

*“The old sinful nature loves to do evil, which is just opposite from what the Holy Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are opposite from what the sinful nature desires.*

*These two forces are constantly fighting each other, and your choices are never free from this conflict.” Galatians 5:17 (NLT)*

*“When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, your lives will produce these evil results: sexual immorality, impure thoughts, eagerness for lustful pleasure, idolatry, participation in demonic activities, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, divisions, the feeling that everyone is wrong except those in your own little group.”*

*Galatians 5:19-20 (NLT)*

### **3. THE RADICAL PLAN.**

*“So I advise you to live according to your new life in the Holy Spirit. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves..If we are living now by the Holy Spirit, let us follow the Holy Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.”*

*Galatians 5:16, 25 (NLT)*

## Three Keys

■ **ACT “as if” God has given you these gifts.**

*“So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you...In its place you have clothed yourselves with a brand-new nature that is continually being renewed as you learn more and more about Christ, who created this new nature within you.” Colossians 3:5a,10 (NLT)*

■ **BELIEVE God is the only source for a true makeover.**

*“When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same anymore. A new life has begun!” II Corinthians 5:17 (LB)*

■ **CHOOSE God’s way at every encounter.**

*“Remain in Me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful apart from me. Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in Me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from Me you can do nothing.” John 15:4-5 (NLT)*