

Dealing With the Self (Part 2)

Review

- Principle 36: God loves you with a perfect love.
- Question: Why do we need the security of God's love to deal with self?
- Principle 37: you can quickly overcome bouts with low self-esteem, self - belittlement, self-exaltation, or self- pity: i.e., the flesh
- Why do some believers take long to work through struggles overcoming self?
- Principle 38: You have been freed from the power of self therefore you have what it takes to put it to death or mortify it.
- How many of you struggle to know how to deal with self?

1. Biblical Principle for Change (Put off, Put On)

We weaken the power of self when we:

_____ the truth about self is only found in Christ and his word rather than the ideas and concepts found in the world. **EPH 4:20-21**

Identify and _____ (put off) the machinations of the self in our own lives' **vs 22**

Deal with our hearts and change our _____ from our former mindset **vs. 23**

Adopt and _____ (put on) a Christlike mindset in place of the old self mindset. **vs. 24**

2. Scripture Illustrations of Put Off Put On

- Philip 2:8
- 1 Pet 4:1: 2:18-25
- Col 3:1-4
- Col 3: 18-25 4:1

- Eph 4: 17-32

3. Christlike Attitude of Stewardship

Because God is your _____ creator you are accountable to him as His steward (managing servant). **Col 3:23 – 4:1**

Recognize _____ you have, your body, material possessions, time, abilities, and gifts, are given to you by God. **1Corinth 6:20**

As a steward you are to be _____ to manage what he has given to you for His glory rather than a preoccupation with self. **1 Corinth 4:1-2**

We show this attitude to God and others when we:

_____ the time God has given us. **Eph 5: 15-17**

_____ our material possessions with others: **Acts 2:41-45**

Share our _____ with others. **1 Tim 6:17-19**

Use our gifts to _____ each other up in the faith. **Rom 12:5-8**