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COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

Therefore, if you have been raised with Christ, keep seeking the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.² Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth.³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.⁴ When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

GALATIANS 5:13-15

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but serve one another through love.¹⁴ For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”¹⁵ But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

THOUGHT

Surrendering to Christ is the only instance in which giving up your rights results in more freedom.

GALATIANS 5:16-18

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desire of the flesh is against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, in order to keep you from doing whatever you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

2 CORINTHIANS 3:17

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

But we all, with unveiled faces, looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

GALATIANS 5:19-21

Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: sexual immorality, impurity, indecent behavior,²⁰ idolatry, witchcraft, hostilities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions,²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

GALATIANS 5:22-26

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.²⁴ Now those who [h]belong to Christ Jesus crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let's follow the Spirit as well.²⁶ Let's not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.

JOHN 3:30

He must increase, but I must decrease.

LUKE 9:23

And He was saying to them all, “If anyone wants to come after Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Me.

ISAIAH 66:1-2

This is what the Lord says: “Heaven is My throne and the earth is the footstool for My feet. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? ² For My hand made all these things, So all these things came into being,” declares the Lord. “But I will look to this one, At **one who is humble and contrite in spirit**, and who **trembles at My word**.