

**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.