

Crossover Ministries Scriptures from 3/25/07 Sermon

“7 Laws of Increase – Part VII” Follow God’s Expressive Will for Your Life

- **Just because you are in His permissive will does not mean you cannot graduate to His expressive will**
- **We are to be an expression of His Word**
- **You need a relationship with God**

Pray (your communication with God)

Psalm 51 (NLT)

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God,
because of your unfailing love.
Because of your great compassion,
blot out the stain of my sins.
- 2 Wash me clean from my guilt.
Purify me from my sin.
- 3 For I recognize my shameful deeds--
they haunt me day and night.
- 4 Against you, and you alone, have I sinned;
I have done what is evil in your sight.
You will be proved right in what you say,
and your judgment against me is just.
- 5 For I was born a sinner--
yes, from the moment my mother conceived me.
- 6 But you desire honesty from the heart,
so you can teach me to be wise in my inmost being.
- 7 Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean;
wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
- 8 Oh, give me back my joy again;
you have broken me--
now let me rejoice.
- 9 Don't keep looking at my sins.
Remove the stain of my guilt.
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God.
Renew a right spirit within me.

11 Do not banish me from your presence,
and don't take your Holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me again the joy of your salvation,
and make me willing to obey you.

13 Then I will teach your ways to sinners,
and they will return to you.

14 Forgive me for shedding blood, O God who saves;
then I will joyfully sing of your forgiveness.

15 Unseal my lips, O Lord,
that I may praise you.

16 You would not be pleased with sacrifices,
or I would bring them.
If I brought you a burnt offering,
you would not accept it.

17 The sacrifice you want is a broken spirit.
A broken and repentant heart, O God,
you will not despise.

18 Look with favor on Zion and help her;
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then you will be pleased with worthy sacrifices
and with our whole burnt offerings;
and bulls will again be sacrificed on your altar.

The Leading of the Holy Spirit

Galatians 5:22-24 (New Living Translation)

22 But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives, he will produce this kind of fruit in us:
LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS,

23 **GENTLENESS,** and **SELF-CONTROL.** Here there is no conflict with the law.

24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there.

2 Peter 1:5-10 (New American Standard Bible)

5 Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, 6 and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, 7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love.

8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For he who lacks these qualities is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins.

10 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble;

2 Peter 1:5-10 (New Living Translation)

5So make every effort to apply the benefits of these promises to your life. Then your **faith** will produce a life of **moral excellence**. A life of moral excellence leads to **knowing God better**. 6Knowing God leads to **self-control**. Self-control leads to **patient endurance**, and patient endurance leads to **Godliness**. 7Godliness leads to **love for other Christians**, and finally you will grow to have **genuine love for everyone**. 8The more you grow like this, the more you will become productive and useful in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9But those who fail to develop these virtues are blind or, at least, very shortsighted. They have already forgotten that God has cleansed them from their old life of sin.

10So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Doing this, you will never stumble or fall away.