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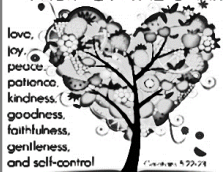
Issue Focus:

**Fruit of the Spirit:
Self-Control**

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FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT



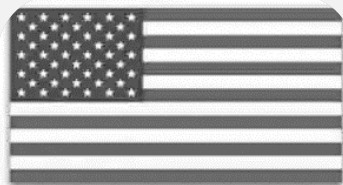
Galatians 5:22-23

Galatians 5:22-23 list nine "Fruit of the Spirit," which are characteristics and behavior of the Spirit-filled life followers of Christ should have and

show as evidence of their true faith. The Faith Messenger has already covered this year, Joy, Love, Faithfulness, and Peace.

This issue, we cover **SELF-CONTROL**. By relying on the Spirit's power and developing self-discipline/self-control, we can overcome fear and live victoriously as effective witnesses for Christ.

Also, don't forget to look at what we have put in our photo collage of special projects our church members have done and our Independence Day/July 4th Tribute.



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"We the People"

What is Self-Control?

The Apostle Paul lists **self-control** as one of the nine Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). Paul, a Jewish man who met Jesus on the road to Damascus, wrote this letter to the churches in Galatia around 48-50 AD.

At that time, the early Christian church was facing challenges from false teachers and struggled with understanding how to live out their faith in a pagan society.

Just before listing the Fruit of the Spirit, Paul contrasts them with the *"acts of the flesh"* in Galatians 5:16-21. These include sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, and orgies. Paul warns that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Throughout the Old and New Testaments, we see examples of how a lack of self-control led to problems for believers and their communities. Some key types of lack of self-control include:

Anger	Numbers 20:10-12, Ephesians 4:26-27
Lust	2 Samuel 11:1-5, 1 Corinthians 6:18-20
Greed	Joshua 7:20-21, Luke 12:15
Gluttony	Proverbs 23:20-2, Philippians 3:18-19
Drunkenness	Genesis 9:20-21, Ephesians 5:18
Gossip	Proverbs 16:28, James 3:5-6
Laziness	Proverbs 6:6-11, 2 Thessalonians 3:10-12

Self-control is essential for the Christian life because it enables us to resist the temptations of the flesh and live in a manner that honors God. As Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 9:25, *"Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever."*

Just as athletes exercise self-control to achieve their goals, Christians must practice self-control to grow in their faith and bear spiritual fruit. In practical terms, self-control can be proved in various ways, such as:

- Control our temper when faced with frustrating situations.
- Resist the urge to overindulge in food or drink.
- Manage our time wisely and avoid procrastination.
- Guard our words and refuse to gossip or slander.
- Maintain purity in our thoughts and actions.

As we yield to the Holy Spirit's work in our lives, He empowers us to exercise self-control and live in a way that reflects Christ's character. Proverbs 25:28 warns, "Like a city whose walls are broken through is a person who lacks self-control."

By cultivating self-control, we strengthen our spiritual defenses and become better equipped to face life's challenges and resist the temptations of the flesh.

When we rely on the Holy Spirit's power and diligently practice self-control, we can experience greater victory in our lives and be a more effective witness for Christ. 2 Timothy 1:7 declares:

"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline."

Our victory and effectiveness as Christians are rooted in our dependence on the Holy Spirit and the practice of self-control.

Scripture Memory Verses



Proverbs 25:28

"Like a city whose walls are broken through is a person who lacks self-control."



Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ Who strengthens me."

The Power of Self-Control: Wisdom from the Saints

Prominent Protestant leaders have consistently emphasized the crucial role of self-control in a believer's life. They have taught that self-control is a fruit of the Spirit, a mark of spiritual maturity, and an essential discipline for personal growth and effective Christian witness, warning against careless living and pointing to eternal rewards.

- **John Wesley:** "We have need to use all self-denial and self-control to keep the body under control and bring it into subjection."
- **A.W. Tozer:** "The Christian must be consumed by the conviction of the infinite beauty of holiness and the infinite dreadfulness of sin."
- **Oswald Chambers:** "The fruit of the Spirit is self-control. The man who has yielded his members to God is no longer under the domination of sin."
- **Billy Graham:** "Self-control is essential to a strong character and must be cultivated."
- **John Stott:** "The duty of self-control is one that no Christian can evade."
- **D.L. Moody:** "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable."
- **Charles Swindoll:** "Self-control is one mark of a mature person; it applies to control of language, physical treatment of others, and the appetites of the body."
- **A.W. Tozer:** "We must face the fact that many today are notoriously careless in their living. This attitude finds its way into the church. We have liberty, we have money, we live in comparative luxury. As a result, discipline practically has disappeared. What would a violin solo sound like if the strings on the musician's instrument were all hanging loose, not stretched tight, not disciplined?"
- **Andrew Murray:** "In the spiritual life, as in all other matters, we must learn to obey before we can rule. He that has not learned to submit will never reign with Christ in his kingdom."



What Does the Bible Say About Self- Control?

Old Testament:

Genesis 39:9, Exodus 20:14, Exodus 20:17, Leviticus 18:20, Leviticus 19:18, Deuteronomy 5:21, 1 Samuel 18:8-9, 1 Kings 11:4, Proverbs 6:32, Proverbs 14:29, Proverbs 16:32, Proverbs 20:1, Proverbs 23:20, Proverbs 25:28, Proverbs 27:4, Ecclesiastes 7:9, Isaiah 53:7, Jeremiah 7:9, Ezekiel 18:31

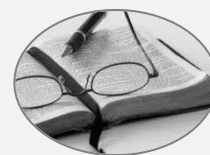
New Testament:

Matthew 16:24, Luke 9:23, Acts 24:25, Romans 6:12, Romans 8:13, Romans 12:1, Romans 13:14, 1 Corinthians 6:12, 1 Corinthians 7:9, 1 Corinthians 9:25-27, 2 Corinthians 10:5, Galatians 5:22-23, Ephesians 4:22-24, Philippians 4:8, Colossians 3:5, 1 Thessalonians 4:3-4, 1 Thessalonians 5:6-8, 1 Timothy 2:9, 1 Timothy 2:15, 1 Timothy 3:2, 2 Timothy 1:7, 2 Timothy 2:22, 2 Timothy 3:3, Titus 1:8, Titus 2:2-6, 2 Peter 1:5-6

To cultivate self-control, we must first acknowledge our need for God's help and seek His guidance through prayer and studying His Word.

By relying on the Holy Spirit's power and wisdom, we can develop the discipline to resist temptation and make choices that honor God.

As we grow in our relationship with Christ and allow the Spirit to work in our hearts, the fruit of self-control will become increasingly clear in our lives, enabling us to live in a manner worthy of our calling as followers of Jesus.





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Take the Self-Assessment Quiz

Vice	Definition and Self-Reflection	Scriptural Insight	Practical Remedy
Anger	Uncontrolled feelings of displeasure or hostility. Ask yourself: Do I struggle to control my temper and lash out at others?	Proverbs 14:29, Ephesians 4:26-27, James 1:19-20	Count to ten before responding, and seek God's help through prayer when angry. Regularly meditate on scriptures about patience and kindness.
Jealousy	Resentful longing aroused by someone else's possessions, qualities, or luck. Ask yourself: Do I constantly compare myself to others and feel envious of what they have?	Proverbs 14:30, Galatians 5:26, James 3:14-16	Practice gratitude by regularly thanking God for His blessings in your life. Celebrate others' successes and pray for contentment.
Impurity	Moral uncleanness or lustful thoughts and desires. Ask yourself: Do I struggle with impure thoughts or engage in activities that promote impurity?	Psalms 119:9, Matthew 5:28, 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5	Establish boundaries to avoid temptation, such as installing internet filters or avoiding certain media. Memorize and meditate on scriptures about purity.
Idolatry	Putting anything or anyone before God in your life. Ask yourself: Are there things or people in my life that I prioritize above God?	Exodus 20:3-4, Colossians 3:5, 1 John 5:21	Regularly evaluate your priorities and ensure God comes first. Practice fasting from things that may have become idols in your life.
Strife	Conflict or discord, often stemming from pride or selfishness. Ask yourself: Do I often engage in arguments or contribute to division?	Proverbs 13:10, Romans 13:13, Philippians 2:3-4	Practice active listening and look to understand others' perspectives. Pray for humility and a willingness to put others' needs before yours.
Selfish Ambition	Pursuing your interests at the expense of others. Ask yourself: Do I often prioritize my goals and desires without considering others?	Philippians 2:3-4, James 3:14-16	Regularly serve others and look for opportunities to put their needs before your own. Pray for a heart that seeks God's will above personal ambition.
Dissensions	Disagreements or quarrels that lead to division. Ask yourself: Do I often find myself in the middle of conflicts or contributing to disunity?	Proverbs 6:16-19, 1 Corinthians 1:10, Titus 3:9-11	Look to be a peacemaker by encouraging unity and reconciliation. Avoid gossip and divisive speech, and pray for wisdom in navigating conflicts.
Drunkenness	Excessive consumption of alcohol leads to impaired judgment and behavior. Ask yourself: Do I struggle to control my drinking habits or often overindulge?	Proverbs 20:1, Ephesians 5:18, 1 Peter 5:8	Set clear limits for alcohol consumption or consider abstaining altogether. Seek accountability from trusted Christian friends and attend support groups if needed.
Outbursts of Wrath	Sudden expressions of extreme anger or rage. Ask yourself: Do I have a short fuse and often lose my temper in an explosive manner?	Proverbs 29:11, Ephesians 4:31, James 1:19-20	Identify triggers that lead to outbursts and develop a plan to manage anger, such as walking away from heated situations. Practice forgiveness and seek God's help in moments of frustration.
Hatred	Intense dislike or aversion towards someone, often accompanied by hostility. Ask yourself: Do I harbor bitterness or resentment towards others?	Leviticus 19:17, 1 John 2:9-11, 1 John 4:20	Pray for those you struggle to love and ask God to give you a heart of compassion. Practice forgiveness and seek reconciliation where possible.

Why does this matter? Christians are called to live lives that reflect Christ and bear the fruit of the Spirit, including self-control.

(Galatians 5:22-23). This self-assessment table is designed to help you find areas where you may lack self-control and offer practical guidance on addressing these issues. By honestly evaluating yourself and seeking God's help to cultivate self-discipline, you can deepen your relationship with Christ and live a more fruitful Christian life.

As you go through the table, prayerfully consider each vice/issue and its definition, reflect on the thought-provoking questions, meditate on the scriptural insights, and commit to implementing the practical remedies. Remember, growth in self-control is a process, and God's grace is sufficient to help you overcome any struggle (2 Corinthians 12:9).



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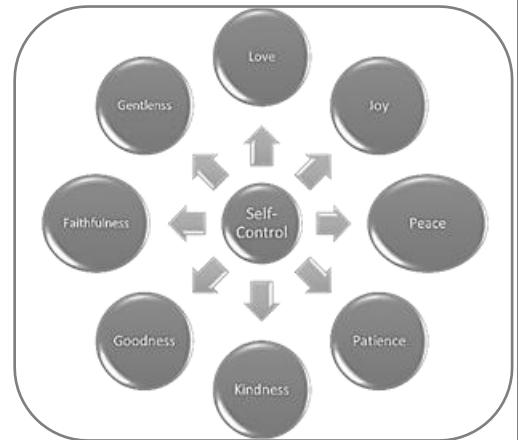
The Connectivity Between Self-Control and the Other Fruit of the Spirit

The Fruit of the Spirit, as listed in Galatians 5:22-23, is not meant to be isolated characteristics but rather a harmonious blend of qualities that reflect a Christ-centered life.

While each fruit has unique aspects, they are interconnected and often influence one another. Self-control relates to and enhances the other eight Fruits of the Spirit in several ways.

Self-control serves as a foundation for the other Fruit of the Spirit, helping us cultivate and express these qualities more consistently.

As we grow in self-control through the power of the Holy Spirit, we will likely see growth in the other areas, leading to a more Christ-like character and a powerful testimony to those around us.



Love	Self-control enables us to love others more effectively by restraining selfish impulses and promoting patience, kindness, and understanding.	1 Corinthians 13:4-7
Joy	When we exercise self-control, we find joy in living according to God's will rather than pursuing fleeting pleasures.	Psalms 16:11, Philippians 4:4
Peace	Self-control helps us keep inner peace and tranquility, even in challenging circumstances, by trusting in God's sovereignty.	Isaiah 26:3, Philippians 4:6-7
Patience	Self-control is closely linked to patience, enabling us to endure difficult situations and people with grace and composure.	Proverbs 15:18, Ephesians 4:2
Kindness	Self-control allows us to express kindness and compassion toward others by controlling our words and actions, even when we feel frustrated or angry.	Ephesians 4:32, Colossians 3:12
Goodness	Self-control empowers us to make good choices and resist temptations that could lead us away from righteousness.	Romans 12:21, 2 Timothy 2:22
Faithfulness	Exercising self-control helps us remain faithful to God, our commitments, and our relationships by resisting distractions and temptations.	1 Corinthians 10:13, Galatians 5:16
Gentleness	Self-control enables us to respond to others with gentleness, even in tense or challenging situations, by restraining harsh words or actions.	Proverbs 15:1, Philippians 4:5

In 1 Corinthians 9:25-26, Paul compares the Christian life to an athlete competing in a race, saying, "Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get one that will last forever. Therefore, I do not run like someone running aimlessly or fight like a boxer beating the air." Just as Olympic victors employ discipline, focus, and goals to achieve success, Christians must approach their spiritual lives with the same level of dedication and self-control.

However, the secret to biblical self-control lies in not relying on our strength but surrendering control to the Holy Spirit. We can overcome our sinful nature when we allow the Spirit to guide and empower us. As Proverbs 25:28 warns, "Like a city whose walls are broken through is a person who lacks self-control." Without the Spirit's help, we are defenseless against the assaults of anger, lust, and other destructive emotions.



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BIBLICAL CHARACTERS WHO DID NOT SHOW THE VIRTUE OF SELF-CONTROL

Samson

Enslaved by Passion: A Tragic Downfall
Judges 16:1

Samson, a judge of Israel, was blessed with incredible strength but lacked self-control. He pursued foreign women (Judges 14:1-3) and revealed the secret of his strength to Delilah (Judges 16:17), who betrayed him to the Philistines. Samson's lack of self-control in matters of the heart led to his capture (Judges 16:21), the loss of his strength (Judges 16:19), and ultimately, his tragic death (Judges 16:30). His story serves as a warning of the consequences of not exercising self-control and succumbing to one's passions.

Moses

Anger Unleashed: A Moment of Weakness
Numbers 20:11

Moses, the great leader of Israel, usually demonstrated self-control and meekness (Numbers 12:3). However, when the people complained about the lack of water, Moses lost his temper. Instead of speaking to the rock as God commanded (Numbers 20:8), he struck it twice with his rod (Numbers 20:11). This act of disobedience, born of a lack of self-control, cost Moses the privilege of entering the Promised Land (Numbers 20:12). His story reminds us that even the most faithful servants can falter when they do not control their anger.

Cain

Unrestrained Jealousy: The First Murder
Genesis 4:8

Cain, the firstborn son of Adam and Eve, lacked self-control when it came to his jealousy towards his brother Abel. When God accepted Abel's offering but rejected Cain's (Genesis 4:4-5), Cain became angry (Genesis 4:5). Despite God's warning (Genesis 4:7), Cain did not master his anger and jealousy, and he murdered his brother (Genesis 4:8). His lack of self-control led to the first recorded murder in history and the consequences that followed (Genesis 4:11-12).

Ananias and Sapphira

Deceit and Greed: A Deadly Lie
Acts 5:9

In the early church, Ananias and Sapphira sold a possession (Acts 5:1) but kept back part of the proceeds for themselves while claiming to have given the full amount (Acts 5:2). Their lack of self-control in matters of honesty and greed led them to lie to the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:3). When confronted by Peter, they both died as a result of their deceit (Acts 5:5, 10). Their story emphasizes the importance of self-control in resisting greed and keeping integrity in the church.

Demas

Abandoning Faith: The Allure of the World
2 Timothy 4:10

Demas, a fellow worker with Paul (Colossians 4:14), struggled with self-control regarding the world's allure. Paul wrote, *"for Demas has forsaken me, having loved this present world"* (2 Timothy 4:10). Despite his association with Paul and the ministry, Demas did not exercise self-control and abandoned his faith. His story serves as a sobering reminder that self-control is essential for persevering in the Christian life and resisting the world's temptations.

"Our battle
is not against flesh
and blood,
but against the rulers,
against the powers,
against the world forces
of darkness,
against the spiritual forces
of wickedness
in the heavenly places."
(Ephesians 6:12)

The Battle is real.





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FAITH CHAMPIONS WHO SHOWED THE VIRTUE OF SELF-CONTROL

King David

Sparing Saul: A Test of Restraint

1 Samuel 24:10

When King Saul entered a cave to relieve, he was unaware that David and his men were hiding there. Despite having the opportunity to kill his pursuer, David exercised self-control and refused to harm the Lord's anointed (1 Samuel 24:6). Instead, he secretly cut off a corner of Saul's robe (1 Samuel 24:4). He later used it to prove his innocence and restraint (1 Samuel 24:11). David's self-control in the face of revenge and retaliation showcased his respect for God's sovereignty and timing. His actions exemplified the proverb, *"He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city"* (Proverbs 16:32).

Joseph

Resisting Temptation: Fleeing Sexual Immorality

Genesis 39:12

As a slave in Potiphar's house, Joseph faced repeated sexual advances from his master's wife. Despite her persistent temptations, Joseph exercised self-control and refused to sin against God (Genesis 39:9). When she grabbed his garment, urging him to lie with her, Joseph fled, leaving his garment in her hand (Genesis 39:12). His commitment to purity and self-control led to unjust imprisonment (Genesis 39:20). Still, God remained with him (Genesis 39:21). Joseph's story proves that the temporary hardships resulting from self-control are worth the eternal rewards of a life lived in obedience to God.

Hannah

Patience in Prayer: Trusting God's Timing

1 Samuel 1:18

Hannah, who was barren not being able to become pregnant, faced years of harassment from her rival, Peninnah (1 Samuel 1:6-7). Instead of retaliating or becoming bitter, Hannah exercised self-control by pouring her heart before the Lord. (1 Samuel 1:15). When Eli, the priest, mistook her deep prayer for drunkenness, she responded with respect and self-control. (1 Samuel 1:15-16). After receiving a blessing from Eli, Hannah went her way and trusted in God's timing (1 Samuel 1:17-18). Her patience and self-control were rewarded when God remembered her and granted her a son, Samuel (1 Samuel 1:19-20).

Daniel

Uncompromising Faith: Resisting Idolatry

Daniel 1:8

As a young man in Babylonian captivity, Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the king's delicacies (Daniel 1:8). Despite the pressure to conform to the Babylonian culture and religion, Daniel exercised self-control and remained faithful to God's laws. He proposed a test to the chief of the eunuchs, showing his commitment to self-discipline (Daniel 1:11-13). God honored Daniel's self-control by granting him wisdom, knowledge, and favor with his superiors (Daniel 1:17, 20). Daniel's life showcases the importance of self-control in resisting idolatry and remaining steadfast in faith, even in the face of adversity.

Paul

Pressing On: Discipline for the Prize

1 Corinthians 9:27

The Apostle Paul recognized the importance of self-control in his ministry and spiritual life. He wrote, *"But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I should become disqualified"* (1 Corinthians 9:27). Paul understood that self-control was essential to avoid hypocrisy and to serve Christ effectively. He also encouraged the Galatians to walk in the Spirit and not gratify the desires of the flesh (Galatians 5:16), emphasizing that self-control is a fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). Paul's life and teachings show that self-control is crucial for spiritual growth, ministry effectiveness, and obtaining the eternal prize in Christ.

Self-control, one of the essential Fruits of the Spirit

mentioned in Galatians 5:22, is a vital aspect of the Christian life. The Greek word "egkrateia," translated as "self-control," signifies an internal mastery over one's behavior. When we lack self-control, our lives can quickly become chaos, much like a pigsty.

The Apostle Paul vividly describes this internal struggle in

Romans 7:15-25, where he writes, *"I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do, I*

do not do, but what I hate I do." He acknowledges that even though he wants to do good, evil is always present, waging war against his mind and making him a prisoner of sin. This passage highlights the challenges we face when trying to control our sinful nature on our own.

The key to overcoming this struggle lies in recognizing our inability to control our sinful tendencies and seeking help from Jesus Christ. As Paul exclaims in Romans 7:25, *"Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!"* Through Christ's power, we can find the strength to resist temptation and live a life pleasing to God.





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Let's Pray

Heavenly Father, we come before You in humble confession, acknowledging our struggles with self-control. Forgive us for the times we have failed to honor You with our choices. Help us remember that as born-again believers, we have been set free from sin and are now called to live a life worthy of our calling (Ephesians 4:1).

May we look to Jesus as our perfect example of self-control, who restrained His power and showed unwavering love and compassion (Philippians 2). When we face temptations or find ourselves in situations that test our self-control, grant us the strength to resist and the wisdom to make choices that glorify You.

Help us also to follow the example of Christ, who proved perfect self-control, even in the face of persecution and temptation. When we find ourselves struggling with anger, lust, greed, or any other vice that requires self-control, prompt us to turn to You for strength and guidance.

Empower us to make choices that reflect our new identity in Christ and bring honor to Your name. We pray that the Fruit of Self-Control will be clear in our lives as we look to glorify You in all that we do. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.



Hymns About Self-Control and... Complete Surrender



"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" by Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Key lyrics: "Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all..."

This hymn is inspired by Galatians 6:14 and reflects Christ's sacrifice and our response. Watts considered the "Father of English Hymnody," wrote this hymn to encourage believers to surrender their lives to God, recognizing that Christ's love demands our all. The hymn calls us to practice self-denial and devotion to God as we contemplate the magnitude of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

"I Surrender All" by Judson W. DeVenter (1855-1939)

Key lyrics: "All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I
freely give..."

Written during a spiritual struggle, Van DeVenter composed this hymn after surrendering his life fully to God's will. The hymn emphasizes the importance of complete submission to God and the following peace. It encourages believers to practice self-control by freely giving all to Jesus and trusting Him to lead and guide their lives.

"Take My Life and Let It Be" by Frances R. Havergal (1836-1879)

Key lyrics: "Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to Thee..."

Havergal wrote this hymn in 1874, inspired by the idea of full consecration to God. The hymn is a prayer of surrender, asking God to take control of every aspect of one's life. It emphasizes the importance of living a life fully devoted to God and allowing Him to use us for His purposes, illustrating self-discipline as a Fruit of the Spirit.

"All for Jesus" by Mary D. James (1810-1883)

Key lyrics: "All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being's
ransomed powers..."

This hymn calls believers to dedicate their entire being to Jesus, surrendering their talents, time, and treasures to His service. James, a Scottish hymn writer, encourages Christians to live a life of self-denial and devotion to Christ, recognizing that He gave His all for us. The hymn inspires us to practice self-control by living fully committed to Jesus.

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord" by Adelaide A. Pollard (1862-1934)

Key lyrics: "Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own
way! Thou art the potter, I am the clay..."

Adelaide A. Pollard wrote this hymn during a time of spiritual discouragement after attending a prayer meeting, where she was inspired by the phrase, "Have Thine own way, Lord." The hymn is a prayer of submission, asking God to mold and shape our lives according to His will. It encourages believers to surrender their will to God, practice self-control, and obey His leading.

GOD-FOCUSED SELF-CONTROL

1. Controlling our Anger

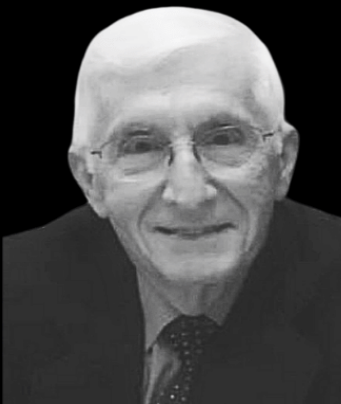
- Everything that makes us angry is something we must trust God about.

2. Controlling our Addictions

- Everything that controls us is an emptiness only God can fill.



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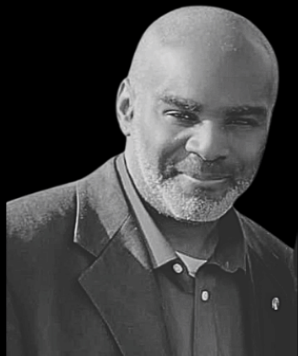
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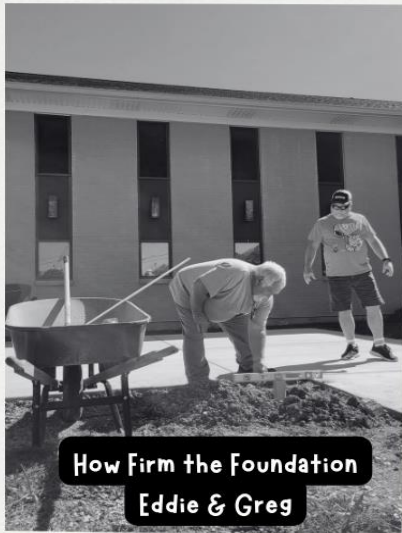
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**Greg, Eddie, Chad
Leveling Up**



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Who We Are. What We Do.



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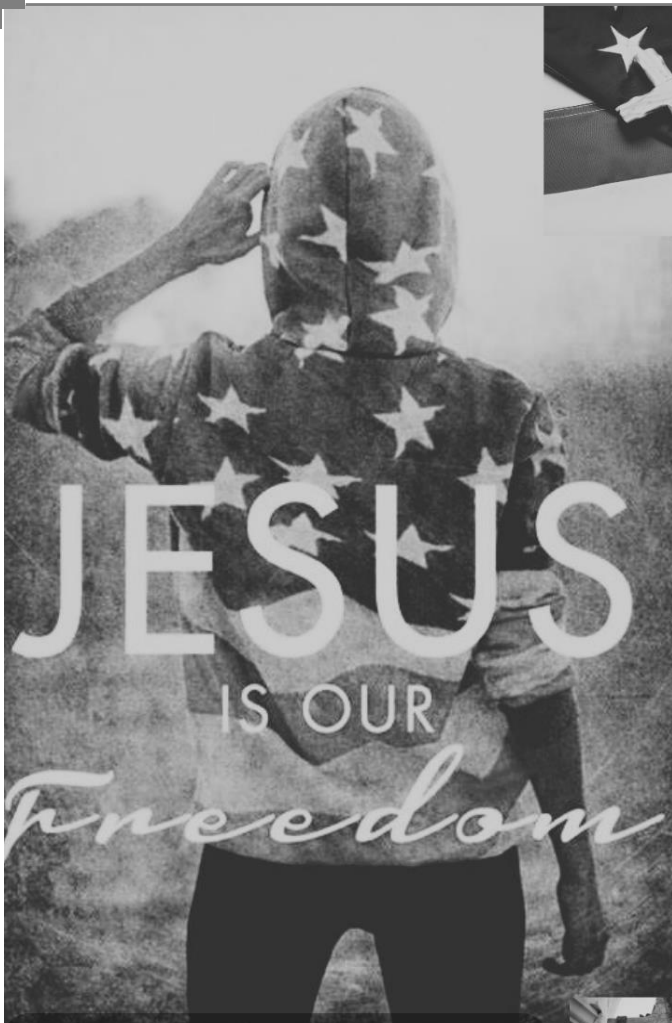


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