

Holy Spirit's Power Facilitates Righteous Wheel-tracks

It is fascinating to me as we move through our study how the solution to Paul's problem begins to reveal itself even though it is not stated in the context. The only way to override the facilitated wheel-tracks of wickedness is to facilitate wheel-tracks of righteousness. But this can only be accomplished by utilizing the first two power options: the filling of the Holy Spirit and spiritual growth by means of the Grace Apparatus for Perception.

Even after a period of spiritual growth, during which the believer comes to understand the will of God, it does not necessarily follow that he will execute the will of God. The inner conflict constantly rages. On one occasion we may perform divine good through the enabling power of the Holy Spirit. But on another occasion, even in the same hour, we may choose instead to perform acts of human good and evil.

The war is unrelenting and therefore every exigency in life presents a circumstance for decision making. When these circumstances challenge the believer's volition to make choices regarding right or wrong, good or evil, duty or expediency, righteousness or wickedness, then another battle is joined.

The typical pressures of each day contain vectors which stimulate problem-solving devices developed during one's time of unbelief or during periods of post-salvation carnality. These are wheel-tracks of wickedness which have been facilitated. Volition can easily be swayed to take these paths of least resistance.

Recovery from lost battles may be accomplished by applying the first problem-solving device: rebound. However, capacity to piece together a significant string of victories demands spiritual growth and the application of doctrine to experience.

Victories are only possible by applying what you know to life. This is impossible to accomplish without the enabling power of the Holy Spirit who, through the Grace Apparatus for Perception, has taught the believer biblical problem-solving devices. God provides the information in the Bible.

The Holy Spirit teaches the information to the positive believer. The Holy Spirit counsels the believer to do the right thing under recall. He enables the believer who makes the right choice to parlay right decisions into right actions. No matter how facilitated a wheel-track of wickedness may be, the Holy Spirit grants to the believer the enabling power to override it. This is true renovation of the soul.

When the believer makes the choice to change and places his faith in God's power to help him execute his decision, then the Holy Spirit will get it done. How? The Holy Spirit has divine power to execute what He has established. The Holy Spirit lays all wheel-tracks of righteousness. Even though a particular one may not yet be facilitated in the brain, His power facilitates it for the believer thus enabling him to perform that which is not habitual.

However, if the believer should choose not to utilize the Holy Spirit's enabling power, he may well desire to serve and please God but he will not be able to do so. Instead, he not only sins and goes about performing human good and evil, he keeps on practicing these things. It is this kind of production which is classified by Paul as wood, hay, and stubble in 1 Corinthians 3:12 and referred to by James in his epistle as operational death.

James 1:13 - Let no man say when he is tempted [*peirazo*: enticed; solicited], "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted by evil and He Himself does not tempt anyone.

James 1:14 - But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust pattern [*epithumia*: the 1st husband's SWAT Team].

James 1:15 - Then, when lust has conceived [the *ménage à trois* with the believer's volition], it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished [*apoteleo*: performed; the execution of a wheel-track of wickedness], it brings forth death [operational death, i.e., status quo carnality].

Consequently, knowing the Word of God is not doing the Word of God. Knowing solutions to life's problems only solves half the problem. The other half involves trusting the Holy Spirit's power to execute what you know.