

Performance Orientation

Galatians 3:1-3 You foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you, that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ has been evidently set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, received you the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now made perfect by the flesh?

Having been born again in the Spirit and then falling back into your human efforts. “You foolish Galatians” should snap you to attention and then to get you out of your human effort, back to where you belong: in the Kingdom of God by the Holy Spirit. We want to accomplish things for Jesus. However, we don’t wait on the Spirit or even allow room for the Holy Spirit’s gifting that is in us.

John 3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the spirit is spirit.

No matter how hard you try, (human effort) you will never make the flesh turn to Spirit. Flesh has to die (crucified). Constant dismissal of the Holy Spirit desensitizes us to the voice of the Holy Spirit. The more and more you do this the less and less you hear Him. Then it is easier and easier to do the sinful acts.

Sometimes God seems slow so off we go in the flesh to help Him along. To add to our distress we have made a bigger mess for him to fix when our right way went wrong. (Song by Pam Fallis)

We must trust the Spirit of God. The lie is that we think we have to make a place for ourselves. So off we go into the human effort of competition and intimidation. The person orientated to perform often has fears of success more than fear of failure. This person will sabotage his or her own life. They can not see what they are doing. If they ask for help pray a prayer with them of confession for abandoning the Spirit of God and attempting to reach their goals through their own human efforts. Forgive the lack of faith and not trusting God and ask the Father God to show them the roots and give inner-healing and true agape love. This will destroy the wall of human effort in the lives of Christians.

The lists of demonic spirits assisting this human effort to keep us out of the Kingdom of God are as follows: Bind them up according to Matthew 18:18 and 16:19 and cast them out in the Name of Jesus.

Fear of success	Dominance
Fear of failure	Striving
Self –sabotage	Insecurity
Self-destruction	Rebellion
Control	Depression
Witchcraft	Extreme abusiveness
Competition	Passive/Aggressive
Intimidation	Selling yourself for affection
Anger	Worthlessness
Hidden Anger	Impure motives
Fear	
Comparison	
Blame	
Fear of Criticism	
Blame	
Tired	
Striving for acceptance	
Tension	
Over active busy spirit	
Compulsive defensive	
Guilt	
Idolatry	
Baal	