

*MasterLife*

DISCUPLESHIP TRAINING

# **Renew Your Mind**

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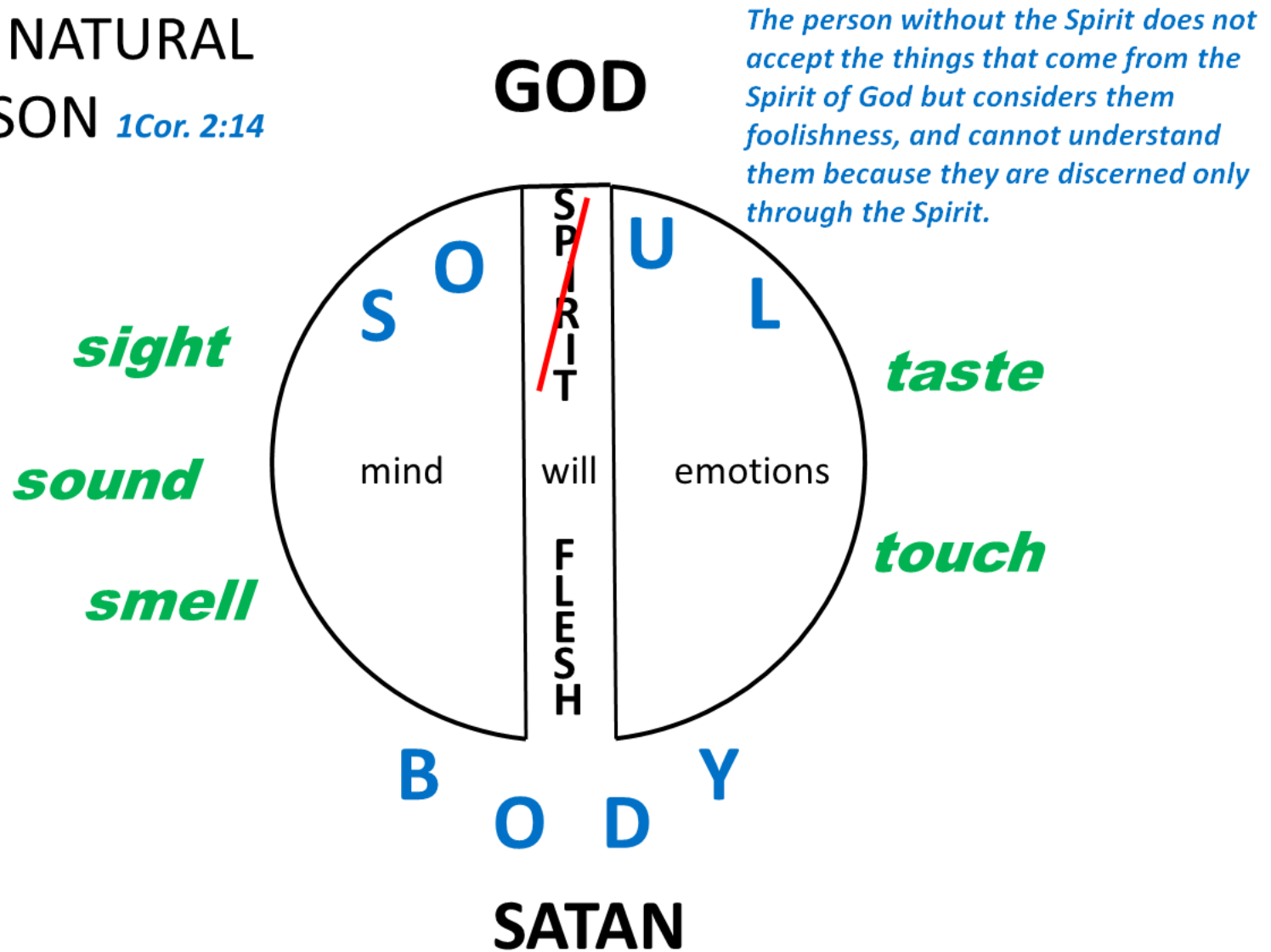
# MasterLife reminder

1. Be faithful in attending each session.
2. In order for you to have a successful discipleship experience it's crucial for you to complete all exercises and learn the materials before you attend each session.
3. Support and be accountable to your group members.
4. Based on attendance record the following names have been removed from MasterLife training: Dan Wang, Ke Ruian.

# Disciple's Personality

- **Week 1: Do God's will**
- **Week 2: Renew your mind**
- **Week 3: Master your emotions**
- **Week 4: Present your body**
- **Week 5: Be filled with the Spirit**
- **Week 6: Live victoriously**

# THE NATURAL PERSON *1Cor. 2:14*

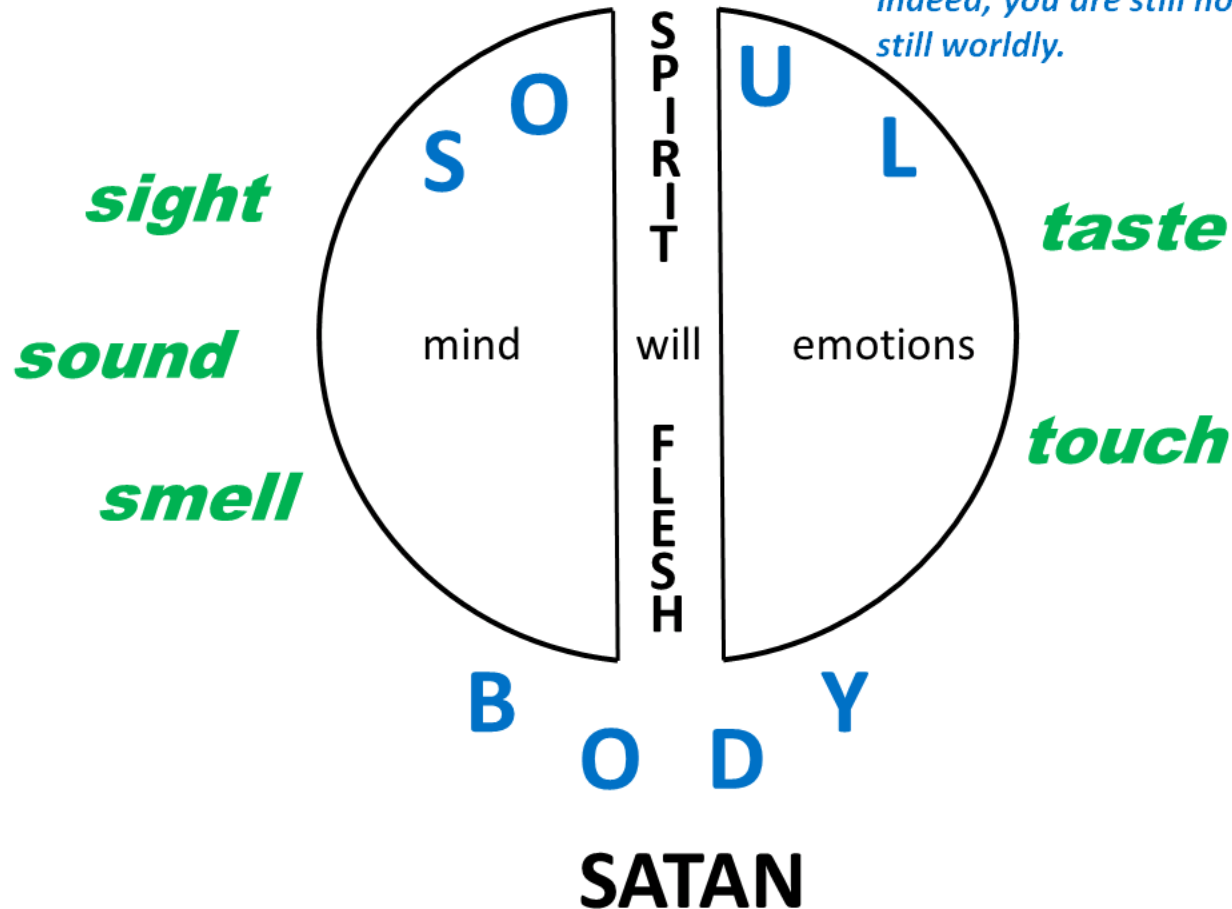


THE WORDLY  
CHRISTIAN *1 Co*

## 1 Cor. 3:1-3

# GOD

*I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere infants in Christ. I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. You are still worldly.*

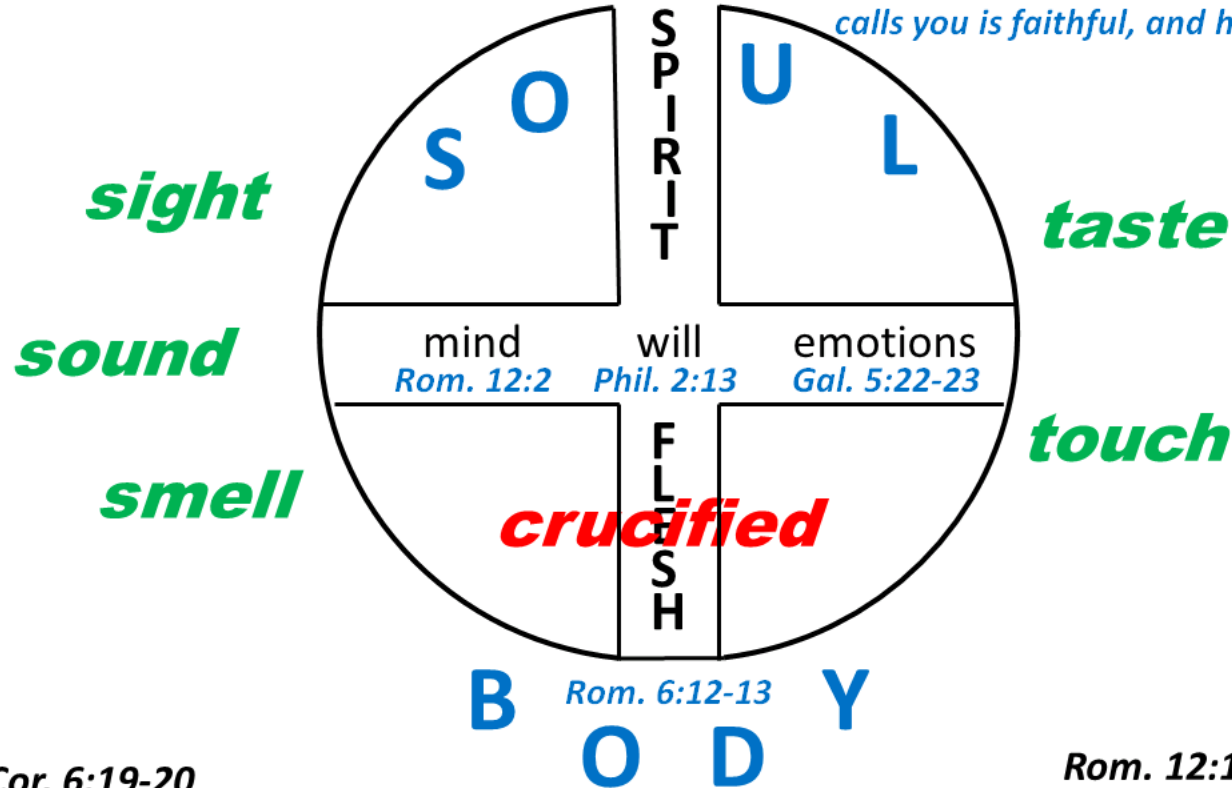


# THE SPIRITUAL CHRISTIAN

*Gal 2:20*  
*1 Thess. 5:23-24*

**GOD**  
*Eph 5:18*

*May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.*



**SATAN**

# Battle of the mind

- Do you feel your mind is a battleground? If so, what forces are in battle for your mind?
  - Gal. 5:16-17.
- As a Christian do you have a choice about who or what controls your mind?
- Not all Christians allow God to control their minds. God may have input but not have control.
- Why is the Bible important in renewing your mind?

# Conversational Prayer

- **Principles of Conversational Prayer**

1. Whole group act as one person engaging God in a conversation.
2. Pray about one subject at a time.
3. Pray brief prayers (one or two sentences by each person on one subject is usually sufficient.)
4. Speak normally.
5. Use first-person singular pronoun.
6. Be specific in requests and confessions of sins.
7. Continue the conversation as long as the group desires.



# How to listen to God's Word

- P. 59-61, "How to listen to God's Word."
- 1. Evaluate what kind hearer are you? Matt. 13:3-23
  - 1) Apathetic hearer
  - 2) Superficial hearer
  - 3) Preoccupied hearer
  - 4) Reproducing hearer

- **James 1:19-25**

- <sup>19</sup> My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, <sup>20</sup>
- because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.
- <sup>21</sup> Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.
- <sup>22</sup> Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.
- <sup>23</sup> Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror
- <sup>24</sup> and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.
- <sup>25</sup> But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

- 2. Be alert for a word from God. Be quick to hear (Jas. 1:19)**
  - 3. Clear away all sin and pride so that the word can be planted in your heart (Jas. 1:21)**
  - 4. Pay attention to what the Bible says about you, just as you would to your reflection in a mirror.**
- Take notes, p. 141

# Salvation Testimony

- **There are two kinds Christian testimonies:**
  1. Salvation testimony
  2. Life-experience testimony
- **P. 69, Salvation Testimony outline**
  1. My life and attitudes before I follow Christ.
    - Paul had not always followed Christ.
  2. How I realize that God was speaking to me.
    - God began to deal with Paul's rebellion.
  3. How I became a Christian.
    - Paul received Christ as his Lord.
  4. What being a Christian means to me.
    - Paul's new life was centered on Christ's purposes.

# Next week's assignment

- P. 47, “my walk with the Master this week.”
- Nails.
- 8/7/11, Testimony Workshop.

# Small Group Time

1. Check each other's "my walk with the Master this week."
2. Quote memory verses Romans 12:1-2, Phil. 2:13 to each other.
3. Practice explaining the Disciple's Personality to each other according to what you've learned so far.
4. **Sharing**: Share your experience in going out to have dinner with your spouse or close friend. Ask volunteers to share what areas of growth they saw in their relationship.
5. **Sharing**: Share the commitments you made to get God's word into your life.
6. Practice Conversational Prayer with your group members.