

Galatians 5:24~ Moreover, those who belong to Christ Jesus impaled¹ the flesh together with its passions and desires.

Footnote: Or, fastened on a stake (pole) See Appendix 5C

1· Those who are anointed Christians have impaled the flesh, together with its sinful desires and passions. We are in a process of bringing them all under subjection through our love of the spirit of Yehowah God our father in heaven. While we do this throughout our lives, we are under his undeserved kindness, whenever we might fall short, provided we do not get involved in a practice of sinning.

[Question] What have all anointed Christians impaled?

[Question] What process are we under, throughout our lives in the flesh?

[Question] What are we under, if during this time, we might fall short in some way?

2· Because we know, that our old personality was **impaled** with him, that our sinful body might be made inactive, that we should no longer go on being slaves to sin. (**Romans 6:6**)

[Question] What personality was also impaled with Christ, and to what end?

3· Beloved, I exhort you as aliens and temporary residents to keep abstaining from fleshly **desires**, which are the very ones that carry on a conflict against the soul. (**1 Peter 2:11**)

[Question] What does Peter encourage anointed Christians to keep abstaining from, and why?

4· He now called the crowd to him with his disciples and said to them; If anyone wants to come after me, let him disown himself and pick up his torture stake, and follow me continually. (**Mark 8:34**)

[Question] What did Jesus Christ say, that his disciples must pick up to follow him?

5· And if your eye makes you stumble, throw it away, it is finer for you to enter one-eyed into the kingdom of God,

than with two eyes to be pitched into Gehenna. (**Mark 9:47**)

[Question] What way would it be finer to enter into the Kingdom, than to fail to get there at all, because of sin?

- 6· For if you live in accord with the **flesh** you are sure to die, but if you put the practices of the body to death by the spirit, you will live. (**Romans 8:13**)

[Question] What will those following after the desires of the flesh surely end up in?

[Question] How will those putting the fleshly desires to death through the spirit, end up?

- 7· I am **impaled** along with **Christ**. It is no longer I that live, but it is **Christ** that is living in union with me. Indeed, the life, that I now live in **flesh**, I live by the faith, that is toward the Son of God, who loved me, and handed himself over for me. (**Galatians 2:20**)

[Question] How is the self-willed part of a man impaled by following Christ?

[Question] What part of us now lives on, and why do we take such a course?

- 8· Deaden, therefore, your body members, that are upon the earth, as respects fornication, uncleanness, sexual appetite, hurtful desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. (**Colossians 3:5**)

[Question] How should we treat our fleshly body members, and what things should we deaden them to?