

# Study QUESTIONS

## Ep. 1255: Do I Walk in the Spirit or the Lusts of My Human Nature? (Part II)

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*All questions are based on the deeds of the flesh and fruit of the spirit lists of Galatians 5:19-25:*

1. What is the definition of the word translated “enmity” in the Bible? If we allow enmity or hostility to grow in our minds, what might happen? Explain Romans 8:5-8. How do we combat the hostile feelings that develop in all our lives? (See Luke 23:11-12, Matthew 5:43-44)
2. Enmity leads to what? Is it possible to disagree with someone without falling prey to this? How do we combat these intense feelings? (See 1 Corinthians 1:11, 3:2-3, Romans 12:14, 16)
3. Describe the difference between enmity and the negative aspect of jealousy. What does jealousy do to our perspective? Are there positive applications of jealousy? Explain. How do we combat jealousy? (See James 3:14-16, Acts 5:17-18, John 2:17, Romans 12:11)
4. How does jealousy feed anger? Explain Colossians 3:5, 8-9 as it applies to us as Christians. Do you have a heart in trouble? Do you harbor an anger that hurts others? What can you do about it? (See Ephesians 4:31-32)
5. In what way does self-promotion set up jealousy? What Christian characteristic opposes self-promotion? How do Lucifer’s actions show self-promotion and stealing from God? (See James 3:14-16)
6. How did Jesus diffuse dissension by washing the disciples’ feet? What other items on the “bad” list does it combat? What is the result of having “love without hypocrisy” (sincere love) for the brotherhood of other Christians? How are disputing (self-promotion) and dissension connected? (See Romans 12:9-10, 16:17-18)
7. What is the problem with factions? Why can’t they have any place in the body of Christ? How does faithfulness combat disputing (self-promoting), dissension and factions? (See 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 2 Peter 2:1, Ephesians 4:15-16)
8. What is the difference between jealousy and envy? Describe how 1 Timothy 6:3-5 shows the relationships between these words. How do we avoid the negative attitudes like jealousy and envy, which are our natural human reactions to situations? What is necessary for self-examination and correction? How did Jesus react to the ill will shown to him? (See 1 Peter 2:1-3, Nehemiah 8:10)
9. Explain what drunkenness can mean other than alcohol intoxication. What is the danger for the Christian here? How do we combat clouded and distracted thinking? (See Luke 21:34-36, Romans 13:12-14, James 3:17)
10. Describe the difference between drunkenness and carousing. How does Philippians 3:13-14 illustrate a proper mindset for the Christian? Why is the fruit of *patience* so important for the Christian to have, especially with himself but also with the brethren? (See Philippians 4:4, 5)
11. Which of these traits do you particularly struggle with in your spiritual life? Which fruit of the spirit are exceptionally helpful for you to employ in fighting the deeds of the flesh?