- (3) The antinomian reacts to the self-righteousness of the legalist, and says, "If that's Christianity, I want no part of it."
- (4) The bullying of the legalists break up the antinomian group. Some antinomians are bullied into becoming legalists, and some are bullied into renouncing their Christianity.
- i. Self-fragmentation perpetuated means moving in the direction of the sin nature's trends, and eventuating in polarized fragmentation.
- j. The Bible teaches that there are two categories of sin: presalvation sinning and post-salvation sinning.
  - (1) Pre-salvation sinning is solved by personal faith in Jesus Christ. All pre-salvation sins are blotted out at the moment of faith in Jesus Christ:

**Isaiah 43:25** I am He Who blots out your transgressions for your sake, furthermore, I will not remember your sins.

**Isaiah 44:22** I have blotted out your transgressions as a thick cloud, and your sins like a cloud of mist. Return to Me, for I have already redeemed you.

**Ephesians 1:7** In <u>Him</u> [Jesus Christ] we keep on having and holding the redemption through His blood the cancellation and forgiveness of sins according to the norm of the riches of His grace.

**Colossians 1:14** By means of Jesus Christ, we have redemption through His blood, the cancelation of sins.

- (2) Post-salvation sinning is solved by the use of the rebound technique, fortified by the other problem-solving devices. Post-salvation sins are forgiven with the utilization of the rebound technique.
- 3. Moral Degeneracy.
  - a. Legalism unchecked results in moral degeneracy.
  - b. Moral degeneracy expresses itself in the various sins and functions of arrogance.

- The motivational sins of arrogance include jealousy, bitterness, vindictiveness, implacability, hatred, self-pity, hypersensitivity, seeking to control and change others to conform to the pattern of legalism.
- (2) Functional sins include revenge, inordinate ambition combined with inordinate competition to form conspiracy, slander, gossiping, maligning, judging, crusader arrogance resulting in Christian activism to include the destruction of property, civil disobedience, violence, and even murder.
- (3) The sins of asceticism include the commitment of heresies, extreme self-denial, self-mortification, abstinence from normality, and abnormal austerity.
- c. Moral degeneracy substitutes human energy and human power for the ability, energy, and power of God the Holy Spirit.
  - (1) The Christian way of life is a supernatural way of life, and it demands a supernatural means of execution. The only way any of us can fulfill God's plan is through the filling of the Spirit and the perception of Bible doctrine inside the divine dynasphere.
  - (2) Although the filling of the Spirit is absolute in its status, it becomes relative in its manifestation, for God the Holy Spirit can only work with what doctrine is resident in your soul.
- d. Moral degeneracy justifies sinful and evil action through distorting morality into a system for justifying tyranny and evil.
- e. Moral as well as immoral degeneracy follows the pattern of post-salvation sinning in three categories: (1) Implosion, (2) Explosion, and (3) Reversion.
- f. Degeneracy is defined as decline from standards considered normal, to revert from divine standards, to sink to a state below normal for the protocol plan of God and/or the Christian way of life.
- g. Moral degeneracy always confuses morality with spirituality.
  - (1) While morality is legitimate and necessary for the function of the laws of divine establishment, it is not a part of the Christian way of life.

- (2) Therefore, morality applies to believers and unbelievers alike. Anything the unbeliever can do is not a part of the Christian way of life.
- (3) The Christian way of life is a supernatural way of life which can only be executed under the power of the Holy Spirit and the perception and metabolization of Bible doctrine.
- (4) The legalistic believer never discovers that which is above morality, namely, virtue and grace.
- h. Moral degeneracy as a distortion combines morality with arrogance in the fragmented life, and contends that such modus operandi is spirituality.
- i. In rightly dividing the Word of truth, the believer must distinguish between morality, which is related to the laws of divine establishment, and virtue, which is related to the morality, which is related to the laws of divine establishment, and virtue, which is related to the protocol plan of God and the function of the problem-solving devices.
- j. Moral degeneracy occurs in the final stages of reversionism. It begins with permanent negative volition, and continues in blackout of the soul, scar tissue of the soul, and reverse process reversionism.
- k. The predominant characteristic of moral degeneracy is the tendency of the believer to judge others.
- 4. Judgment Arrogance or the Arrogance of Tyranny.
  - a. Judgment arrogance is the function of the self-righteous, legalistic believer who seeks to superimpose his false standards on others, and judges them for not accepting those who seek to superimpose his false standards on others, and judges them for not accepting these false standards.
  - b. The judgment of the legalistic believer solves nothing. He is merely trying to convert the immorally degenerate believer into becoming morally degenerate.

**Romans 14:8** Just as when we live, we live to the Lord. So also when we die we die to the Lord. So, we conclude, "If we die, we die for the Lord, we keep on being the Lord's.

**Romans 14:9** You see, for this purpose Christ died and lived, in order that He might be Lord over both the dead and the living.

**v. 10** But you, why do you judge your brother? Again, why do you regard with contempt your brother. For all believers will be present at the Judgment Seat of Christ.

**v. 11** For it stand written [Isaiah 45:23], "I [Jesus Christ] <u>keep on living</u> [eternal life], and by Myself I have sworn, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God the Father."

**v. 12** So therefore, <u>each one of us</u> [Royal Family of God ] shall give an account to God concerning himself. (EXT)

- Legalism is a "stumbling block" or "obstacle" to the Christian way of life. It is a distraction in the Christian life. Judging, maligning, and slandering other believers is putting an obstacle in their way.
- (2) Judging, maligning, and slandering other believers is the function of self-righteous arrogance and polarized legalism.
- (3) Such judging is blasphemy, for it interferes with the disciplinary functions of our Lord, and with understanding and using the problem-solving devices.
- d. Such interference brings judgment to the legalist.

**Matthew 7:1** "Stop judging, and you do not receive divine judgment for your sins and for theirs also. Each is up to you.

**v. 2** "For by which standard you judge, you will receive judgment and the measure you use will be the measure you receive.

**v.3** "Why do you make a superficial observation and yet with great scrutiny the splinter in your brother's eye, but fail to evaluate the log in your own eye?" (EXT)

- e. Triple-compound discipline is God's judgment for judging.
  - (1) You are disciplined for the mental attitude sins.
  - (2) You are disciplined for your verbal sins.