

“UNDERSTANDING THE TWO NATURES”

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Text: Eph. 5:17 “...understanding what the..**will** of the Lord is.”
 “.....**word** of the Lord is.”
 “.....**way** of the Lord is.”

The Contrast

<i>The Old Nature</i>	<i>The New Nature</i>
1. Generation of Death.....Gen. 5	1. Generation of Life.....Matt. 1
Why?	Why?
2. All sinners.....Rom. 3:10,12	2. All righteous.....Eph. 4:24
3. Not God’s Child.....Rom. 9:8	2. Cannot sin.....I John 3:9
4. Sinful nature.....Eph. 2:3	3. God’s child.....John 1:12
5. All die.....Rom. 6:23I John 3:1
6. Flesh cannot inherit the kingdom of God.....I Cor. 15:50	4. Divine Nature.....II Pet. 1:4
	5. Have Eternal Life.....John 6:47
	6. Heirs of God.....Rom. 8:17

The Conflict

Rom. 7:15-24, and Galatians 5:17

<i>Works of the Flesh</i> (Gal. 5:19-21)	<i>Fruits of the Spirit</i> (Gal. 5:22-23)
Adultery	Christian character is not just moral & legal correctness, but the possession and manifestation of all nine graces or fruits.
Fornication	
Uncleanness	
Lasciviousness	
Idolatry	Toward yourself
Witchcraft	Love
Wrath	Joy
Strife	Peace
Seditions	Toward Mankind
Heresies	Longsuffering
Envyings	Gentleness
Murders	Goodness
Drunkenness	Toward God
Revellings	Faith
	Meekness
	Temperance

The Conquest is to win the Contest

IF YOU WALK IN THE FLESH = THE FLESH WINS Gal. 5:16
 IF YOU WALK IN THE SPIRIT = THE SPIRIT WINS GAL. 5:16

The Crown

I Cor. 9:26-27

Run & Fight so that you may win!