

**John 4:21-24 (NIV)** <sup>21</sup> Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup> You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."

**1 John 4:19 (NKJV)** We love Him because He first loved us.

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)** Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

**1 John 3:14 (NIV)** We know that we have passed from death to life, **because** we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death.

**Romans 5:5 (NIV)** And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

**Hebrews 12:15 (NKJV)** looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled;

1. Bitterness necessitates that you walk in the flesh and not in the Spirit.
2. Bitterness halts spiritual growth altogether.
3. You cannot be full of bitterness and the things of God at the same time.

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**Galatians 5:16 (NKJV)** I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

**Galatians 6:7-8 (NKJV)** <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. <sup>8</sup> For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

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