**2 Peter 1:4 (NKJV)** by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be **partakers of the divine nature,** having escaped the corruption *that is* in the world through lust.

**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.

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**Galatians 5:16–18 (NLT)** [16] So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. [17] The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. [18] But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses.

"This isn't about **giving something up**—it's about **getting free of what holds us back!**"

God's example is that when He removes something ungodly from you, He replaces it with something of God.

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**James 1:12 - 15(NKJV)** [12]Blessed *is* the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. [13]Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone[14]But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires (KJV lust) and enticed. [15]Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

**2 Peter 1:4 - 9 (NKJV)** [4]by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption *that is* in the world through lust. [5]But also for this very reason, (**because we have escaped the corruption**) giving all diligence, **add** to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, [6]to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, [7]to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. [8]For ***if*** these things are yours and abound, *you will be* neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. [9]For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

This means controlling your passions rather than being controlled by them.

**2 Peter 1:8–10 (NKJV)** [8] For if these things are yours and abound, *you* will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. [9] For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.[10] **Therefore**, brethren, **be even more diligent** to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

It is the **Promise**, **Power** and **Person** of Jesus that accomplishes all of this in our lives.

**John 17:18 (NLT)** Just as you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world.

**1 John 3:8 (NKJV)** He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

**Luke 4:18–19 (NKJV)**

18 *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,*
*Because He has anointed Me*
*To preach the gospel to the* poor;
*He has sent Me* to heal the brokenhearted,
*To proclaim liberty to the captives*
*And recovery of sight to the blind,*
*To set at liberty those who are* oppressed;
19 *To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord*."

**Acts 10:38 (NKJV)** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.