

# Dual Citizenship





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**Taxes**

**Military**

**Children**

**Traveling**

**Employment**

**Entitlements**

**Property**

**Marriage**



# **Spiritual Dual Citizenship Issues**

**In The World Not Of The World**  
**Rendering To Caesar & God**  
**Living In Time & Space**  
**Eternal Values & Perspectives**



# Polemic (1-2) : Practical (3-4)

**“It does little good if Christians  
defend the truth, but fail to  
demonstrate it in their lives”  
(Warren Wiersbe)**



# Paul's Concern

They profess to know God, but they deny him by their works. They are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good work **(Titus 3:16)**

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ **(Colossians 2:8)**



# Paul's Solution

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me (Colossians 1:28-29)



# Legalism, Mysticism & Asceticism

**These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ (Colossians 2:17 – NIV)**



# I. One Condition (1a)

**I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me (Galatians 2:20)**



# Romans 6:3-5

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.



## II. Two Commands (1b-2)

### A. Our Affections (Heart)

**But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you (Matthew 6:33)**

**For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also (Luke 12:34)**



## **B. Our Attention (Mind)**

**Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:2)**





# Romans 8:5-6



For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

# III. Three Consequences (3-4)

## A. Identification – Died With Christ

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? (Romans 6:1-2)



## **B. Preservation – Hid In Christ**

**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you (1 Peter 1:3-4)**



## C. Manifestation - Glorified

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure (1 John 3:1-3)



# Romans 8:17-18

And if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.



# OUT OF THIS WORLD



Christians must live until they  
die and die until they live.