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FLAMES (PART 2)

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Our lives are often set on fire and the burning flames can do so much damage to our success. What are some of these flames?

F = Fear L = Lust A = Anger ME = My Emotions S = Stubbornness

ME stands for 'my emotions.' Women are seen as highly emotional and men as factual. Truth is both genders can operate on emotions at any given time depending on the circumstances. When our emotions are manipulated by man's thinking it can lead to destructive behavior. Not all feelings are negative, however we must allow the Spirit of God to manage our emotions so what we feel doesn't lead us into the path of unrighteousness. We feel God's presence and it leads to the emotion of spiritual excitement, and that's good! Satan as the prince and power of the air knows the weakness of human emotions when left unchecked. Recognize when the "ME" flames are leading and not the Lord.

Stubbornness is associated with rebellion. The word states that rebellion as like the sin of witchcraft. Refusing to bend our will to the leading of the Holy Spirit is a flame that can consume your life. The problem with Israel throughout the Old Testament was they were stiff-necked (stubborn). This flame indicates that you will dominate and not allow God to dominate. You operate as an all consuming fire when He should be the one holding that position. Jesus understood that God's will (way) is superior to ours. As a true believer saying, "Yes Lord," you de-oxygenate the flame of stubbornness.



When we decrease the Flames in our life to one FLAME we are on the road to success. Our goal should be to ignite a singular FLAME between you and the Lord, where He controls our heart so we *Shine* as a burning Light for Him in a dark world. Matthew 5:14-15 says, "Ye are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Even so let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." We should feel our Love for the Lord so strongly that the Love Flame is dominant in our life. Then real change occurs so we can Go, Grow and **GLOW** in Christ where it **Feels Like A Magnificent Experience!**

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