The Old Man

Ro 6:6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with him, that the body of sin might be done away, that so we should no longer be in bondage to sin;

Eph 4:22 that ye put away, as concerning your former manner of life, the old man, that waxeth corrupt after the lusts of deceit;

Col 3:9 lie not one to another; seeing that ye have put off the old man with his doings,

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Carnal nature

Sinful self

Sinful nature

My flesh

Corrupt nature

Depravity – inherited, etc

Evil nature

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that our old man--"our old selves"; that is, "*all that we were* in our old unregenerate condition, before union with Christ" (compare Col 3:9,10; Eph 4:22-24; Ga 2:20; 5:24; 6:14).

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As we know this, that our old man, that is, the whole system of our former inclinations and dispositions, which did by a fatal contagion spread themselves over the whole man, and were incorporated with it, hath now, as it were, been crucified together {with Christ,} the remembrance and consideration of his cross cooperating in the most powerful manner with all the other motives which the gospel suggests to destroy the former habits of sin, and to inspire us with an aversion to it; that so the body of sin, of which this old man did as it were consist, might be enervated, deposed, and destroyed; that we might no

longer be in bondage to sin, as we were before we were so happy as to know the gospel and the efficacy of this great doctrine of a crucified Saviour.

Adam's disobedience

What was he living by?

Gal practical directions

Ro 13:13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

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14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

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What is death to self? What does it mean to die-to-self? If I die to myself where does my "self" go and whom do I become?

In order to be able to be in God's will we have to be out of our own. Here are some things written by people that might help to understand the process of dying-to-self.

If our goal is to be in God's will all the time then we need to go through some processes to purge ourselves of pride, self-will, selfishness, selfesteem, and all the other things that cause us to think about ourselves first and God second. Those processes will lead us through a journey that will involve humility, strengthening our faith, and will ultimately result in holiness. (After you finish studying about dying-to-self you may want to check out the article on <u>holiness</u>.)