

The Marks of Jesus

Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

- Crucified with Christ-

Rom 6:4 Therefore we are **buried with Him by baptism into death:** that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. **5** For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also *in the likeness of His* resurrection: **6** Knowing this, that our old man is **crucified with Him, that** the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

Gal 6:17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for **I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.**

2Co 11:24 Of the Jews **five times received I forty stripes save one.**
25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

- Marks-

G4742 στίγμα stigma stig'-mah

From a primary word στίζω stizō (to “stick”, that is, *prick*); a *mark* incised or punched (**for recognition of ownership**), that is, (figuratively) **scar of service:** - mark.

Webster: Stigma- 1. a mark of disgrace or reproach.

The different body parts of a **Christian** that should bear the marks of **Jesus.**
Head

Mat 27:29 And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put *it* upon His head, ..

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but **be ye transformed** by the **renewing** (*Gk.342-renovation*) **of your mind**, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

- To renovate something, like an old house, you start with something that needs fixed. The mind that conforms to this world needs fixed in order to be acceptable to **God**. Once the mind has been renovated by the **Great Carpenter**, **God owns it!**

Eze 9:1 He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man *with* his destroying weapon in his hand. **2** And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the

north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them *was* clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar. **3** And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon He was, to the threshold of the house. And He called to the man clothed with linen, which *had* the writer's inkhorn by his side; **4** And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and **set a mark** (*Heb.8420-signature*) **upon the foreheads** of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. **5** And to the others He said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: **6** Slay utterly old *and* young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom *is* the mark; and **begin at My sanctuary**. Then they began at the ancient men which *were* before the house.

1Pe 4:17 For the time *is come* that judgment must **begin at the house of God**: and if *it* first *begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God? (*1 Pet 2:5*)

Mat 13:41 The Son of man shall send forth His angels, and they shall gather **out of His kingdom** (*the church*) all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

Not "kingdoms" plural here as in...

Rev 11:15 .., The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever.

Rev 13:16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive **a mark** (*Gk.5840-scratch or etching, stamp [as a badge of servitude]*) in their right hand, or **in their foreheads**: **17** And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the **name of the beast**, or the **number of his name**. (*Name on something shows ownership.*)

Rev 14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with Him an hundred forty *and* four thousand, **having His Father's name written in their foreheads**.

- We are either owned by **God through Christ** or by **Satan through the world**.

Eph 4:8 Wherefore He saith, When He ascended up on high, He led captivity (*those who were slaves to sin*) captive (*those who became "free from sin... servants of righteousness."* **Rom 6:18**), and gave gifts unto men (*Pentecost*).

1Co 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct Him? But **we have the mind of Christ**.

- In order to have the mind of **Christ** we need to be filled with **His word**.

Php 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are **true**, whatsoever things *are* **honest**, whatsoever things *are* **just**, whatsoever things *are* **pure**, whatsoever

things *are* **lovely**, whatsoever things *are* of **good report**; if *there be* any **virtue**, and if *there be* any **praise**, **think on these things**.

- You won't find much truth, honesty, justice, purity, or that which is acceptable, reputable, virtuous or praise worthy in the smut that exists in the media today, will you? Paul said we are to esteem these things, put them first on our minds!

Hands

Joh 20:26 And after eight days again His disciples were within, and Thomas with them: *then* came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, **Peace be unto you.** **27** Then saith He to Thomas, **Reach hither thy finger, and behold My hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into My side: and be not faithless, but believing.** **28** And Thomas answered and said unto Him, My Lord and my God.

- To have the image of Christ's nail scarred hands we are to be able to prove with innocence that we have **not** participated in sin and we belong to Him. To expose their hands to God the Israelites were ceremonially exposing their deeds while in humble submission. Pilate, after being unable to convince the Jews, washed his hands as a ceremonial gesture to express his innocence in condemning Jesus to be crucified.

Mat 27:24 When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, he took water, and **washed his hands** before the multitude, saying, I am **innocent of the blood of this just Person**: see ye *to it*.

1Ti 2:8 I will therefore that men pray every where, **lifting up holy hands** (*exposing their deeds so others can see*), without wrath and doubting.

Neh 8:6 And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with **lifting up their hands**: and they **bowed their heads**, and worshipped the LORD with *their* faces to the ground.

They were exposing themselves to God's judgment and at the same time they worshipped Him.

Act 20:26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that **I am pure from the blood of all men.** **27** For I have **not shunned** to declare unto you **all** the counsel of God.

2Co 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive **the things done in his body, according to that he hath done**, whether *it be* good or bad.

Eph 4:28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, **working with his hands the thing which is good**, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

Feet

Luk 24:39 Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself: handle Me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see Me have.

Rom 10:15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How **beautiful are the feet of them that preach** (*proclaim*) **the gospel of peace,** and **bring glad tidings** of good things!

Rev 21:21 And the twelve gates *were* twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the **street of the city was pure gold**, as it were transparent glass. (*Streets of gold made for beautiful feet!*)

2Co 4:3 But **if our gospel be hid**, it is hid to them that are lost: (*we can not hold the gospel back from being spoken to the lost world around us*) **4** In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not (**2 Thes 2:11**), lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, Who is the image of God, should shine unto them. **5** For **we preach** not ourselves, but **Christ Jesus the Lord**; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. **6** For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, **to give the light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. **7** But **we have this treasure** in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

Luk 9:23 And He said to *them* all, **If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.**

Paul said in **1Co 15:31** .., I die daily.

- Have we followed Jesus this week?

Heart

G2588 καρδία kardia *kar-dee'-ah*

Prolonged from a primary **καρ** kar (Latin *cor*, “heart”); the *heart*, that is, (figuratively) the *thoughts* or *feelings* (*mind*); also (by analogy) the *middle*: - (+ broken-) heart (-ed).

Psa 51:17 The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: **a broken and a contrite heart**, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

Belly vs. heart.

Mar 7:18 And He saith unto them, **Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him; 19** Because it entereth **not** into his heart (*Gk.2588-thoughts, feelings [mind]*), but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats? **20** And He said, **That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. 21** For **from within, out of the heart of men, proceed** evil thoughts (*Gk.1261-discussion, internal consideration*), adulteries, fornications, murders, **22** Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: **23** All these evil things **come from within**, and defile the man.

Rom 2:28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither *is that* circumcision, which is outward (*Gk.5318- apparent, publicly*) [see *Jn 3:8*] in the flesh: 29 But he *is a* Jew, which is one **inwardly** (*Gk.2927-concealed, private*); and circumcision *is that* **of the heart**, in the spirit (*Gk.4151-mental disposition*), and not in the letter; whose praise *is* not of men, but of God.

Luk 24:13 And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem *about* threescore furlongs (*Gk.4712-a stade or a certain measure of distance; by implication a stadium or race course*)[*thus, "thirty stadiums" in distance*]. 14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened. 15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Jesus Himself drew near, and went with them.

Luk 24:30 And it came to pass, as He sat at meat with them, He took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to them. 31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew Him; and He vanished out of their sight. 32 And they said one to another, **Did not our heart burn within us**, while He talked with us by the way, and while He opened to us the scriptures?

- Now that's a heart burn we wouldn't want to extinguish!

Presence

Act 4:13 Now when they **saw** the boldness of Peter and John, and **perceived** that they were **unlearned and ignorant men**, they marvelled; and they **took knowledge of them**, that **they had been with Jesus**.

Did we spend time with **Jesus** this past week and do we plan to spend time with **Him** in the coming days? How will others know we were with **Him** if we don't spend the time in **His** presence? To be in **His** presence is to be in the assembly where two or more are gathered (*Mat 18:20*). Another way to spend time with **Him** is to open our **Bibles** and read and also, to pray.

Act 5:40 And to him (*Gamaliel*) they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and **beaten them**, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41 And they departed from the presence of the council, **rejoicing that they were counted worthy** (*Gk.2661-deem entirely deserving*) **to suffer shame** (*Gk.818-render infamous*) for His name. 42 And **daily** in the temple, and in every house, they **ceased not to teach and preach** Jesus Christ.

To bear the "stigma" or marks of **Jesus**, then, is to have the same mindset **He** did, to labor in the vineyard as **He** did, to work spreading the gospel of the kingdom as **He** did, to have the same heart (*intellect*) **He** did. To have all these attributes though, one has to have been crucified with **Him**, raised with **Him** and then walk a new life with **Him**.

Charli Yana
October 9, 2011

www.searchfortruth.church