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ROMANS 8:12-13

LUKE 9:23

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¹² So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—

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Focal Truth:

God’s people live a sin-crucifying life.

1. The duty of a sin-crucifying life

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Rom. 8:13

Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Gal. 5:24

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2. The practices of a sin-crucifying life

- Deny yourself – follow Jesus. Luke 9:23
- Watch and pray to avoid temptation.
Matt. 26:41, 2 Cor. 10:5
- Practice self-control over your body.
Matt. 5:29, Heb. 12:1
- Obey God's word, not sinful impulses and desires. Matt. 7:24, Rom. 6:16
- Renew your mind by scripture, prayer and worship. Rom. 12:1-2
- Do good to others. 1 Pet. 3:11, Rom. 6:13
- Live by faith. 2 Cor. 5:7

3. The endurance of a sin-crucifying life

Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. Heb. 12:1

Daily Use:

- If you hate sin, you will kill sin.
- Don't hide your sin, kill your sin.
- Don't trust yourself – kill the sin that remains.
- Be killing sin or it will be killing you!



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