

Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Life
7 The Christian Life

1. Exhortations to the Christian Life

(a) The _____ of sanctification is to join human _____ with divine _____.

(b) Paradoxically, we are _____ what we _____. And what we _____ is entirely a product of _____.

(c) Instruction in the Christian life can be summed up as

1 Peter 1:14-16

i. the love of _____ from our hearts

ii. a _____ to guide us in our zeal for this _____.

2. Self-Denial

Rom. 12:1-2

(a) We are _____ not _____ of what _____ has given us.

(b) Human beings are _____ in the _____.

Rom. 14:8

3. Bearing the Cross

Matt 16:24

(a) Not only do believers practice self-denial _____, by afflictions and troubles we are also being conformed to Christ _____.

(b) Bearing the cross teaches important lessons

i.

ii.

iii.

4. The Present Life

- (a) God sends us proof of the _____ of the present life, to prevent an unhealthy _____ to it.
- (b) Our present life is an _____, whetting our hope for the _____.
- (c) Principles for the Present Life
- i. Use God's gifts according to the end for which he created them for us: that is, both _____ and _____ -
 - ii. Recognize that God is the _____ of all things and give thanks for his _____ toward us
 - iii. Know how to go _____ things " _____ "
 - iv. Remember that we must one day _____ for all those things which were given to us by the _____ of God.
 - v. Each one should look to his _____.

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Justification

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Gal. 3:8, Rom. 3:23-26, Eph. 1:5-6, 2 Cor. 5:21