

"The Fatal Five"

1 Peter 2:1-3

1. Decisive Eliminations

1 Peter 2:1 Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.

Colossians 3:7, 8 You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these; anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

a. Malice

HEBREWS 12:15 See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.

b. Deceit

John 4:23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.

c. Hypocrisy

d. Envy

Proverbs 14:30b....envy rots the bones.

e. Slander

1 Corinthians 5:11 But now I am writing you that you must not associate with anyone who calls himself a brother but is sexually immoral or greedy, and idolater or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even eat.

2. Obsessive Domination

1 Peter 2:2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.

Proverbs 14:16 A wise man fears the Lord and shuns evil, but a fool is hotheaded and reckless.

Proverbs 15:1 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Proverbs 14:29 A patient man has great understanding, but a quick tempered man displays folly.

Jeremiah 15:16 When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name.