GOD'S WORK IN US

After we believe in Jesus for helping us remove sin from our lives, for making us a new creation, and for giving us an eternal relationship with Him, God no longer looks upon us as sinners but as righteous. We are a child of God and He disciplines us as one of His children. The sins of our past and our present do not change our relationship with God, but we still experience the consequences of our sins. God does help us and comfort us in many ways as we experience the pains of our sins. Our desire should be to sin less and experience the fruits of the Spirit in our lives. The fruits God wants to establish in us daily are: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Learning to love God and other people in our lives makes life worth living. Hebrews 12 Galatians 5

God promises that if we seek Him we will find Him. This is true for all people including we who have received Jesus as Lord and Savior. In seeking God, we must stand against anything that would lead us away from seeking God. We must try to let go of habits and let go of influences that steer us away from God's ways. We still must live in this world and work around ungodly people. But we can say no to their ways and set our minds on doing things God's way. Remember that as a new creation in Christ, we have the Holy Spirit of God living in us all of the time and He is actively helping us to be aware of sin and empower us to say no to sin. It takes practice to reject sin and live out the fruits of the Spirit. We will fail at times, but we have freedom to allow the Holy Spirit to pick us back up and continue His work in us. The Bible says to work with God in our daily striving to do right, and work at it with all diligence. Philippians 2:12