

## 2. The ability to respond to God (*strength under authority*)

SELF CONTROL= "Instant obedience to the initial promptings of God's Spirit"

- **There is one problem: getting the flesh to \_\_\_\_\_.**  
Romans 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.
- **Since the flesh won't be controlled it must be \_\_\_\_\_**  
Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.
- **Dead to sin - alive to God**  
Romans 6:6 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.7 For he that is dead is freed from sin. 8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he lives, He lives unto God.11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

	Deny Self	Take up your Cross	Follow Me
Galatians 2:20	"I am crucified with Christ..."	"...not I, but Christ" (not doing what I want but what He wants)	"...gave Himself..." (give myself)
Titus 2:11-14	"..Deny ungodliness and worldly lusts..."	"live soberly..."	"...gave Himself..." (give myself)
Romans 12:1-2	"give your body - a living sacrifice..."	"...not conformed to this world...transformed"	"prove the will of God"
Romans 13:12-14	"...cast off works of darkness.."	"make no provision for the flesh..."	"put on the Lord Jesus..." (actions and attitudes)

## 3. The basis for fruitful Christian service (*strength under direction*)

Giving God the right to be at work in us

Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ

Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

The Yoke of \_\_\_\_\_

**Not the bondage to do as your flesh WANTS, but to do as you OUGHT**

Matthew 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.