

(1) **Communicate** (by the evangelist or pastor-teacher and the Holy Spirit),  
(2) **Comprehend** (by academic understanding in the *nous*, or common grace),  
(3) **Consider** (to determine one's volitional response, whether to believe or disbelieve),  
(4) **Concur** (positive response to what is taught),  
(5) **Cognition** (*epignōsis* understanding of divine thought in the *kardia*), and  
(6) **Comply** (by application of doctrine to life and circumstances).

5. Failure to learn the Word of God from a qualified pastor-teacher results in scar tissue on the soul and the buildup of erroneous ideas and principles that dominate recall.
6. This opens a vacuum in the soul so that truth is ignored in favor of the lie contained in doctrines from demons:  
**1 Timothy 4:1**    The Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons.
7. When a believer's soul is the victim of deceit it inevitably leads him into the throes of reversionism manifested by emotional revolt of the soul.

**2 Peter 2:17**    These [ false teachers ] are springs without water [ teaching with no reference to Scripture or the teaching of the Holy Spirit ] and mists [ human viewpoint and evil ] driven by a storm [ itinerants move around like a squall line and bring a storm of false doctrine to the benighted ], for whom the black darkness [ darkness of the soul due to negative volition to truth ] has been reserved [ the soul's environment of darkness as opposed to the light provided by truth ].

**2 Peter 2:18** For this reason, these reversionists constantly preach eloquently and bombastically with great swelling words [multisyllabic, esoteric, gobbledegook] from the source of vanity [ματαιότης (*mataiótēs*): a vacuum that sucks in cosmic concepts], they keep on enticing by appealing to lascivious desires, those scarcely escape from those who live in error,

**v. 19** promising them freedom when they themselves are in the permanent status of slavery of corruption [the sin nature]; for by whom anyone is defeated, by the same source, he has been enslaved. (EXT)

8. In a given society, historical downtrends are detected when its body of believers loses interest in serious Bible study and through emotional revolt enter reversionism.
9. In the same way, historical downtrends are detected in a society when unbelievers abandon laws of divine establishment in favor of hedonism, the doctrine that pleasure or happiness is the sole or chief good in life.
10. When one's "pleasure or happiness" is denied or criticized by latent cultural standards, the rabble is roused and chaos erupts in defense of the professed "new normal."

**Principle:** An immoral society systematically diminishes the societal standards that support the laws of divine establishment.

11. Progressive ideologues are not shy to unbridle their own tongues in their campaign to reverse the cultural standards which provide them the freedom to stoke rebellion.
12. The vacuousness of the anointed one's soul is evidence of the brain drain imposed by the Dark Side's campaign against the client nation.
13. Their increasing dominance in the national debate indicates the absence of doctrinal thought in the souls of the nation's believers.

14. To approve a little bit of the lie is acquiescence to the whole lie. If biblical guidance is based on divine revelation and that revelation is immutable, then divine justice must defend it.
15. Those with deceived *kardías* have opted for religion over Christianity, acquiesced to the lie in opposition to the truth, and made themselves targets for divine discipline.
16. The out-of-fellowship believer, considering his acts of human good commendable while speaking from a deceived *kardía* means his religion is worthless.
17. This means that negative volition to truth is indoctrinated when he hears a standard he rejects. From an inventory of erroneous ideas his assumed righteousness is based on cosmic concepts.

**Galatians 5:4** You have been severed from Christ [ aorist passive indicative of καταργέω (*katargéō*): culminating indicating existing results ], you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace. (NASB)

1. A believer cannot be severed from Christ neither can he fall from grace. At salvation, the believer is placed into union with Christ, a circumstance described as positional sanctification or being inside the Top Circle. Severance from that status quo is impossible.
2. Secondly, the entire plan of God for the believer is His matchless grace. Regardless of the spiritual status quo of the believer, he is always supervised by the components of the love of God or the integrity of God:  
**(1)** Righteousness which refers to the standards of divine integrity, **(2)** Justice which is the function of divine integrity, **(3)** Grace which is the system or policy of divine integrity, and **(4)** Omniscience which refers to the divine decree. Believers are never dealt with by God outside of this system or policy of grace.
3. Therefore, those being evaluated by Paul are unbelievers whose spiritual lives are directed toward the Mosaic Law, not the grace of God. They have chosen to be severed from Christ temporally by reversionism and fallen from grace volitionally by engaging in human good and evil.

4. James certifies this principle in:  
**James 2:10**     Whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all. (NASB)
5. In Galatians 5:4, Paul identifies those “who are seeking to be justified by law” as having “fallen from grace.” Their error is buying the lie since their loyalty to the Law comes at the expense of grace.
6. Jews and Gentiles presently suffer from such distractions and do so in many ways but with the end result of opting for works over grace.

**NOTE:** At this point we noted the three proper nouns used to categorize those who are in the genetic line of Abraham: Hebrew, Jew, and Israelite. Here’s a summary.

7. **Ἐβραῖος (Hebraίos):** “Hebrew”: Hebrews are those who are citizens of Palestine and who use the Hebrew or Aramaic language.

The true seed of Abraham in opposition to the Hellenists or Greek-speaking Jews who were born out of Palestine.<sup>3</sup>

**Acts 6:1**     Now at this time while the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint arose on the part of the Hellenistic Jews against the native Hebrews.

8. **Ἰουδαῖος (Ioudaίos):** “Jew”: those who survived the two Diaspora in Chaldea and Babylon and who retained the Jewish religion whether or not they returned to Judah. This is the case in the New Testament.

Paul distinguishes between Jews that continue to practice Judaism outwardly against those who have placed their personal faith in Christ for salvation. This latter group is considered to be the “spiritual seed” of Abraham. We refer to them as Messianic Jews.

<sup>3</sup> Spiros Zodhiates, ed., “Ἐβραῖος,” in *The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament*, rev. ed. (Chattanooga: AMG Publishers, 1993), 495.