



Let the Lord Move In

Galatians 2:20; 4:6, 19; 1 Corinthians 2:14-3:3; Hebrews 5:12-14
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In life, if I do not move, I will not win!

The Scriptural imagery of spiritual growth conveys movement:

- Growing (Rom. 12:2; Eph. 4:15, 22)
- Walking (Gen. 5:24; Mic. 6:8; 2 Cor. 5:7; Gal. 5:16)
- Running (Phil. 3:14; 2 Tim. 4:7; Heb. 12:1)
- Sojourning (Psa. 39:12; Heb. 11:13; 1 Pet. 2:11)
- Sending (Matt. 28:19; Mk. 1:17; John 20:2)
- Following (Psa. 23; Matt. 4:18-19; Lk. 9:23)

I cannot follow Jesus if I do not move.

**There has to be movement in my life to be a Christian.
The Lord has to Move In.**

Galatians 2:20 ...I no longer live, but Christ lives in me... (NIV)

Galatians 4:6 ...God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts.... 19 ... I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed in you. (NIV)

Ephesians 3:17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. (NIV)

The most important piece on the board is the King.

If I want to Move Up and Move Out for the Lord in this life, I must first let the Lord Move In me.

Why do we not move?

Why is the Lord not Moving In us and Through us?

Three Ways of Living

1) Natural Living: People who do not know God and are guided by the sinful nature.

1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. (NKJV)

2) Spiritual Living: People who know God and are guided by the Spirit of God.

1 Corinthians 2:15 But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. 16 For "who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?" But we have the mind of Christ. (NKJV)

3) Carnal Living: People who know God and are guided by the sinful nature.

1 Corinthians 3:1 And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. 2 I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; 3 for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men? (NKJV)

**Carnal Christians do not move – they do not give in.
They are selfish and need to surrender.**

Hebrews 5:12 You have been Christians a long time now, and you ought to be teaching others. Instead, you need someone to teach you again the basic things a beginner must learn about the Scriptures. You are like babies who drink only milk and cannot eat solid food. 13 And a person who is living on milk isn't very far along in the Christian life and doesn't know much about doing what is right. 14 Solid food is for those who are mature, who have trained themselves to recognize the difference between right and wrong and then do what is right. (NLT)

**Carnal Christians do not move – they do not grow up.
They are stuck and need to serve.**

We mature as we move and do what is right, and this only happens when we let the Lord Move In.

Only Spiritual living allows the Lord to Move In us and Through us, not Natural and Carnal living. This is the Christian life. (Eph. 2:8-10; Tit. 2:11, 13-15)

**Natural, Spiritual, Carnal: Which one am I?
Will I let the Lord In?**