

CHRISTIANITY

[WHEN DIVIDING OVERRULES UNITING]

CANCER CELLS: FREE, INDEPENDENT RADICALS THAT BREAK AWAY FROM OTHER NORMAL CELLS AND GO UNREGULATED, EVENTUALLY DESTROYING THE HUMAN BODY.

THE DIFFERENCE THAT EQUALS DESTRUCTION

Cancer cells are different to normal cells in several ways. They don't die if they move to another part of the body and...

- Cancer cells don't stop reproducing
- Cancer cells don't obey signals from other cells
- Cancer cells don't stick together
- Cancer cells don't specialize, but stay immature

1) PROBLEM: WE _____ OUR OWN _____. (PHIL. 2:14)

- ❖ Complaining = Cancerous (I don't like that)
- ❖ Gossip = Cancerous (I want to feel better or more important than someone else)
- ❖ Self-centeredness = Cancerous (I'm more important)
- ❖ Arguments = Cancerous (I am the one who's got it "right"... you're wrong)
- ❖ Pride = Cancerous (I don't need you)
- ❖ Anger = Cancerous (I must be in control)
- ❖ Dishonesty = Cancerous (I can't show them "real" me)
- ❖ Selfishness = Cancerous (I'm all that matters)
- ❖ Stubborn-ness = Cancerous (I don't want to change, grow, or mature... don't stretch me)

2) SOLUTION: _____ IN _____ THINGS...BECAUSE GOD IS IN _____ (PHIL. 2:17-18)

- ❖ The Point is God's mission of spreading LIGHT into the Darkness. (2:15)
- ❖ The apostle Paul was being totally emptied of everything, but was still rejoicing. (Phil. 2:17)

3) APPLICATION: _____ WHO YOU ARE IN JESUS CHRIST BY THROWING OUT _____ AND REPLACING IT WITH _____. (PHIL. 2:17-18)

SO WHAT? HOW HAVE I ALLOWED CANCEROUS ACTIONS OR ATTITUDES TO ENTER MY LIFE AND THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH?

"COMPLAINING IS LIKE A ROCKING CHAIR, IT GIVES YOU SOMETHING TO DO, BUT IT DOES NOT GET YOU ANYWHERE." ~ DR. STANLEY TOUSSAINT