

CONVICTION !

a formal declaration that someone is guilty of a criminal offense, made by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law.

Conscience - an inner feeling or voice viewed as acting as a guide to the rightness or wrongness of one's behavior.

Daniel 5:27 -Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

2 Corinthians 7:9-10

I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly grief, so that you suffered no loss through us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.

John 16:8

And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment:

Acts 2:37

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

How do you know you're saved? Born again? Right with God?

Conscious and aware of sin. / not 100% perfect mastery of conquering sin

Feel grief from the Holy Spirit.

If we live in the spirit, let us walk with the spirit.

Do not grieve the holy spirit.

1 Tim 4:1 -Now the Spirit speaks expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

² Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

Marks of connection...

1. desire, hunger for clarity from God. Want to know His word.
2. open to change, teachable, asks for input
3. searches inward, does not compare or point to others' sins
4. Repents. Free from guilt and shame

Marks of dis connection

1. Insecure spiritually and embarrassed from guilt and shame
2. COLD- does not care – conscious seared with hot iron
3. AROGANT -no respect for Gods law, or boundaries
4. argumentative, defensive, justifies behavior

Luke 18:11 -The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'

¹³ "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'

Genesis 42:21

Then they said to one another, "Truly we are guilty concerning our brother, because we saw the distress of his soul when he pleaded with us, yet we would not listen; therefore, this distress has come upon us."

Ezra 9:6

and I said, “O my God, I am ashamed and embarrassed to lift up my face to You, my God, for our iniquities have risen above our heads and our guilt has grown even to the heavens.

Romans 2:1

Therefore, you have no excuse, every one of you who passes judgment, for in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.

[1 John 2:20, 27](#) *that we have an unction from the Holy One and ye know all things; but the anointing ye have received of him abides in you and ye need not that any man teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.*

Heb 10 - The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship.

² Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and **would no longer have felt guilty for their sins.** ³ But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins.

[Hebrews 10:22](#)

Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

[Romans 14:1-23](#)

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him.

Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ...

[Romans 9:1](#)

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—

5 Things that Grieve the Holy Spirit

[Ephesians 4:30](#) says *And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.*

[1 Thessalonians 5:19](#) says *Quench not the Spirit.*

Are these verses talking about the same thing? Let's look at the meaning of "grieve" and "quench" from Vine's Expository Dictionary.

Quench = 4570 (Strong's) is used metaphorically as *of "quenching" the Spirit, by hindering His operations in oral testimony in the church gatherings of believers, (1 Thess 5:19).*

Grieve = 3076 (Strong's) is used in the active voice as *of grieving the Holy Spirit of God (as indwelling the believer); (Eph 4:30).*

"Quenching" is what you do to the Spirit of the Living God while "grieving" is how He responds to your actions.

1 — Disobey the Holy Spirit

2 — Deny the Holy Spirit

3 — Do Not Apply the Word of Truth in Your Life

James wrote to the saints that we should be *doers of the word and not hearers only* ([James 1:22](#).)

4 — Do Not Desire God's Will

5 — Do Not Rely on Holy Spirit

[Acts 1:8](#) *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

Heavens courtroom...

Rev 12:10 - for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, who accused them before our God day and night.

1 John 2:1 if anyone does **sin, we have an advocate** who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous."

Psalm 51 –

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. ² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. ⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. ⁶ Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place. ⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. ⁹ Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. ¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

FELLOWSHIP with the Holy Spirit:

2 Cor 13:14

John 14

Rom 8:9,16, 26,27 (abides, bears witness, helps us pray, brings us in unity with God's will)