

THE SINS THAT SO EASILY BESET US--26

“The Sin of ‘Yacking’ and Not ‘Yielding’

Ephesians 4:30; 1 Thessalonians 5:19

Introduction. _____

I. FIRST, WHEN WE “YACK” AND NOT “YIELD” WE _____ THE HOLY SPIRIT (Ephesians 4:30).

How can we “*grieve*” the Holy Spirit?

A. First, notice how we grieve Him when we willfully _____.

B. Secondly, note how we grieve Him when we _____ and _____ God.

C. Thirdly, consider how we grieve Him when we are indifferent and _____ the things of God.

AND, IF THIS CONTINUES . . .

II. SECONDLY, WHEN WE CONTINUE TO “YACK” AND NOT “YIELD”, WE _____ THE HOLY SPIRIT (1 Thessalonians 5:19).

Note some practical ways we can “*Quench the Spirit*”:

A. First, by consistently keeping ourselves _____ in this world and its ideas and ways.

B. Secondly, by consistently keeping yourselves _____ in your agenda, therefore missing what the Holy Spirit wants to do in our lives.

C. Thirdly, by consistently keeping ourselves _____ by letting a nonchalant casual attitude creep into how we respond to the Holy Spirit.

D. Fourthly, by consistently _____ into a secularized type of lifestyle, rather than pursuing a faith-based relationship with the things of the Lord.

E. Fifthly, by consistently _____ to keep the Lord Jesus as the center of our lives and faith.

F. Sixthly, but consistently _____ a passive approach to the Holy Spirit’s conviction, thereby causing the flame of His power to dwindle.