

Study Questions:

Use these questions in your community group time to dig deeper and discover how you can apply today's message to everyday life.

Key passage: Galatians 5:16-21

1. What "live by the Spirit" mean to you today?
2. Have you battled trying to walk in the Spirit everyday?
 - a) What does the battle feel like?
 - b) Have you found a solution?
3. What does Paul mean in v. 17 when he says "they are in conflict with each other"?
4. Read Hebrews 11:8 aloud.
 - a) What comes to mind when you read this?
 - b) Now read Genesis 12:1-3. Do you think the decision was easy for Abraham?
5. Does stepping out in faith feel like a loss of control?
6. In the context of always knowing or being in control of our destiny, is it hard for you to step out in faith and walk in the Spirit? Why do you think that is?
7. Share something that is hard for you to let go of.
 - a) If you were wake up tomorrow with the decision to ask God "where do you want me to walk today?", would that help you let go of this area you're holding onto?
 - b) How can the group pray for you this week?



Grace

and the Spirit

Grace, part 6

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Galatians 5:16-18

¹⁶So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. ¹⁷For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

¹⁹The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

_____ and _____ cannot work together.

Being led by the Spirit accomplishes what we

_____.

John 3:6

⁶Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

John 15:4

⁴Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

Asking God each morning,

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