

8 December 2024 – Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group
“The Spirit Leads Us to Carry Out the Law’s Intention,” Part 3-- Galatians 5:13-26

Questions to Answer from the Text:

1. How does a Christian prevent carrying out the desires of the flesh (v. 16)?
2. How do the Spirit and the flesh get along with each other (v. 17)?
3. What is the Law’s role in suppressing fleshly desires in the believer (v. 18)?
4. What are some actions by which you can identify the works of the flesh (vv. 19-21)?
5. What might be some other works of the flesh that Paul does not list?
6. What are evidences of the work of the Spirit (vv. 22-23)?
7. What might be other fruit produced by the Spirit that Paul does not list?
8. What has taken place for those who belong to Christ Jesus (v. 24)?
9. Because a Christian has life in and through the Spirit, what follows as his/her responsibility because of this (v. 25)?
10. How are Christians who live in the Spirit NOT to act toward one another (v. 26)?

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

11. How is walking by the Spirit extraordinary?
12. How is walking by the Spirit ordinary?
13. Why do you think the LORD wants you to wage spiritual battle with the Spirit against the flesh?

14. Of the fruit of the Spirit that Paul lists, which one(s) do you struggle with the most? Are you seeing any progress? How?
15. As you look at the listing of the Spirit's fruit (vv. 22-23), which one(s) do you see most regularly occurring in your life?
16. How can your flesh be crucified when you still struggle against its desires?
17. What does it mean to be conceited? How do you prevent this in your life?
18. What do you suppose "provoking one another" looked like among the Galatian Christians? In what ways might this be seen among God's people today?
19. How do you know if you are walking by the Spirit?
20. If you have the red *Trinity Hymnal*, refer to hymn 672, "Trust and Obey." What aspects of this song would you see as consistent with walking by the Spirit? What aspects of this song might be questionable with regards to walking by the Spirit?