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GOSPEL**
Stand Firm in Your Freedom



Free From the Works of the Flesh

GALATIANS 5:16–21



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WELCOME:

Fixing Our Focus

Suggested icebreaker:

Ask GG members to share an experience when they were torn between two choices. What brought them to that dilemma, and how was it resolved? Use this to segue into our lesson, where Paul revealed that believers must constantly choose between being led by the Holy Spirit or their sinful desires.

WORSHIP:

Adoring Our God

Suggested song:

[Holy Spirit Living Breath of God](#)

WORD & WALK:

Understanding & Applying the Word

LESSON AIM

1. GG members will surrender to the leading of the Holy Spirit and not their sinful desires.
2. GG members will live by faith that the Holy Spirit grants them victory over temptation and sin.

INTRODUCTION

In the earlier portion of Paul's letter, he argued that the believer has been set free from the law. However, this does not mean that the believer gives in to licentiousness. In our passage, Paul explained why believers are able to use their freedom responsibly.

Walking by the Spirit frees believers from works of the flesh (vv. 16-21)

Paul revealed that believers can be freed from their sinful desires because God has given them the Holy Spirit, by whom they can live in victory over temptation and sin. They can choose to surrender to the Spirit's leading instead of their sinful desires.

1. What did Paul mean when he wrote "walk by the Spirit"? (cf. Romans 8:13-14)
2. What did Paul reveal about the desires of the flesh and the Spirit? How did this affect him? (cf. Romans 7:21-23)
3. What did God make us partakers of to combat the desires of our flesh? (cf. 2 Peter 1:3-4)
4. What did Paul mean when he said, "if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law"? Does this mean those led by the Spirit can do whatever they want? (cf. Romans 8:3-4)
5. What did Paul say about believers who continue to indulge the desires of the flesh?

APPLICATION

A person becomes a believer by exercising their faith in God, believing that God sent Jesus on earth to die for their sins. Believers go through the sanctification process by continuing to exercise their faith in God, believing that God grants them victory over temptation and sin. What obstacles do you face in your sanctification journey?

WORD & WALK:

Understanding & Applying the Word

PRAYER ITEM

Father God, thank You for sending Your Holy Spirit to live in us. It is only through Him that we can live lives pleasing to You. He gives us the strength to do what You desire us to do, and to resist our sinful desires. We pray that you increase our faith so that we hold on to Your promise that we have victory over temptation and sin. May our lives be holy and pleasing to You. In Christ's name we pray. Amen. ■

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