

July 1, 2012

Teaching Outline
Becoming Like Jesus
Week 5

Gal 5:16-17 (NLT) ¹⁶ So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.¹⁷ The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.

The two natures present within us

1. The _____

Romans 5:12 (NLT) ¹² When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.

Gal 5:19-21 (NLT) ¹⁹ When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures,²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division,²¹ envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.

2. The _____

Romans 5:17 (NLT) ¹⁷ For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace and his gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ.

Gal 5:22-25 (NLT) ²² But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. ²⁵ Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

The fruit of _____

Phil 2:1-5 (NLT) ¹ Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate?² Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose.³ Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.⁴ Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.⁵ You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

_____ is a key part of becoming more and more like Jesus!

Focused prayer