

WALK BY THE SPIRIT



GALATIANS 5:16-18

I. Walking by the Spirit is commanded by God (Galatians 5:16).



- Why does the verse begin with **“But I say?”**
- What does the indwelling of the Spirit have to do with our walk?
- Because walking by the Spirit is commanded, what is our responsibility?

II. Walking by the Spirit keeps us from worldly activities (v.16).



- **What desires are not put into action when we walk by the Spirit?**

- **What can we do to make sure that those desires are not carried out?**

III. Walking by the Spirit is opposed to walking by the flesh (v.17).



- What is the nature of the struggle between the Spirit and the flesh?
- How can we help to set our desire against the desires of the flesh?

V. Walking by the Spirit means you are not under law (v.18).



- **Why can't a system of laws accomplish the creation of spirituality?**

- **What freedom and what constraint comes from following the Spirit rather than following a set of rules?**

Lesson Aim: To be willing to live as the Spirit leads us to live.



- Does your walk with the Spirit keep you from 'biting and devouring' each other?
- Is your desire to be close to the Spirit moving you to avoid sinning?
- Are your desires for the spiritual stronger than your desires for the flesh?
- Why is it better to do what the Spirit desires?
- Do you want to be so in step with the Spirit that you are not constrained by law?

-How can we help?