



## Week 4: Walking With The Spirit

Transformation doesn't happen by adding Jesus on to your life. It actually requires dying to yourself and adopting a brand new way of living and thinking that leads to a life of true freedom. But it's impossible to do this on your own. The only way to follow the upside down ways of Jesus is by walking with the Spirit, day by day and moment by moment.

### Discussion Questions:

1. How old were you when you became a Christian? What led you to make this decision? What was your understanding of the gospel then vs. now?
2. Read Galatians 5:13-26. Paul says in verse 13 that we were called to be free, but warns us not to use this freedom as an opportunity to serve the flesh. What are some ways we are tempted to misuse our freedom in this way? Why do you think he connects our freedom to serving other people?
3. For many Christians, the goal of their faith is to be a good person and try not to sin? How might this set us up for failure? What does Paul say our strategy needs to be for avoiding a lifestyle of sin?
4. Walking by the Spirit doesn't mean we will never sin, but it does mean we can't continue to live in sin. What's the difference?
5. Paul lists 9 characteristics of life in the Spirit. Knowing that the Holy Spirit produces this "fruit," where should we be focusing our efforts? How is this different from trying not to sin? Does this idea change the way you think about the gospel? How so?
6. What's one thing you can do to foster a closer walk with the Holy Spirit on a daily basis?