

# THE SPIRIT LEADS TO LIFE

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Three ministries of the Holy Spirit that lead to life:

## I. THE SPIRIT ENABLES US TO FULFILL THE LAW OF \_\_\_\_\_.

A. The greatest expression of freedom is to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Gal 5:13** You, my brothers, were called to be **free**. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.

**ROMANS 6:1-2** What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? 2 By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?

**JOHN 14:15** If you love me, you will obey what I command.

**JOHN 13:12-17** - ...I have set you an example...

B. The greatest antidote to the law is to \_\_\_\_\_.

**GALATIANS 5:14-15** The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." 15 If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

**Q: Do you use your freedom in Christ for selfish \_\_\_\_\_, or selfless \_\_\_\_\_?**

## II. THE SPIRIT ENABLES US TO OVERCOME THE \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Living by the Spirit means \_\_\_\_\_ to the Spirit.

**GALATIANS 5:16-18** So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

**17** For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

**18** But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

**ROMANS 12:2** Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

B. Yielding to the law & \_\_\_\_\_ produces bad fruit.

**GALATIANS 5:19-20** The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissension's, factions

**21** and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

C. Christians must choose to \_\_\_\_\_ by the Spirit.

**GALATIANS 5:24-26** Those who belong to Christ Jesus have **crucified** the sinful nature with its passions and desires.

**25 Since** we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

**Q: Are you walking by the \_\_\_\_\_ or yielding to the \_\_\_\_\_?**

## III. THE SPIRIT ENABLES US TO PRODUCE GOOD \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Christians rooted in Christ produce good fruit and good \_\_\_\_\_!

**GALATIANS 5:22-23** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ determines the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Example: Two Different Trees!!**

**Q: Is your life bearing \_\_\_\_\_ fruit or \_\_\_\_\_ fruit?**