The New Normal… Walking in the Presence and Power of Jesus

Walking By The Spirit

Small Group Study Questions for the week of November 15-21

GETTING STARTED

Have you ever experienced a church split or a potential church split? What was that like? Was it easy to determine which group was right and which group was wrong? Why or why not? Was there any long term effects for the church, or for you personally?

DIGGING DEEP

1. Read Galatians 3:1–5, 5:2,6; what does Paul tell us about the cause of a potential church split in the Galatia?

2. Paul's solution to this splinter faction group is spelled out in 5:16-18. How would you describe this solution?

3. Do you feel there is a difference between walking by the Spirit and being led by the Spirit? Why or why not?

4. Read Galatians 5:19–23. How might this evidence of being influenced by the works of the flesh or by the fruit of the Spirit encourage us to be Spirit-led? Do you feel that there are any works of the flesh that are more common in churches today? What are those?

5. How would you explain to a newer believer how to practically 'keep in step with the Spirit' from verse 25?

6. According to Ephesians 5:15–18, what can we learn about the importance of being filled with the Spirit?

7. What are the results of being Spirit-filled that Paul emphasizes in Ephesians 5:19–20?

8. What do you believe keeps people from genuine Spirit-filled worship?

9. Read Ephesians 5:20, have you, or someone you know, ever experienced Spirit-filled gratitude? What was that like?

A MATTER OF PRAYER

Take time in your group to pray for one another, that the Lord would help us to Walk by the Spirit, be Led by the Spirit, Keep in Step with the Spirit, and be filled with the Spirit in the coming week.

Next Week: The New Normal… Abiding in Christ