

**Series:** Becoming A Spiritual Father  
**Message Title:** Walking By the Spirit  
**Primary Texts:** Galatians 5:16-23  
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1. The will of God is \_\_\_\_\_.

2. To be filled with the Spirit \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Walking by the Spirit results \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Galatians 5:16-23**

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

<sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. <sup>19</sup> Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup> envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Read **Ephesians 5:17-18**. What is the will of God according to verse 18? Read **Ephesians 5:19-20**. How does being filled with the Holy Spirit affect a believer's life? Does it produce joy, sadness, thankfulness, etc.? Read **Acts 4:31**. Here we learn that a group of believers began to boldly preach the gospel. Why did this happen? Read **Acts 13:9-10**. What happened to Paul when he was filled with the Spirit?
2. Read **Ephesians 5:21**. Here we learn another result of being filled with the Spirit? What is the result? Read **Ephesians 5:21-22, 25; 6:1, 5**. These verses describe specific examples of **Ephesians 5:21**. What are these examples of being filled with the Spirit?
3. Read **Colossians 3:16-22**. What is the result of dwelling richly in the Word of God? What similarities do you see between Ephesians 5:16-22, 25; 6:1, 5 and Colossians 3:16-22? Does this reveal that in order to be filled with the Spirit, believers must study the Word of God? Read **Ephesians 4:30 and the verses before and then Ephesians 5:1-16**. What is described in these verses? Does this reveal that we must strive to be obedient and confess our sins in order to be filled with the Spirit?
4. Read **Ephesians 5:17-18** and **Galatians 5:16**. How is being filled with the Spirit connected to walking in the Spirit? Read **Galatians 5:16-21**. What is the desire of the flesh and what are the works or the deeds of the flesh (verse 17, 19-21)? What happens when we are walking in the Spirit? Does this mean we are perfect?
5. Read **Galatians 5:22-23**. What is another benefit of walking in the Spirit? Since walking in the Spirit refers to being filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:17-18) moment by moment, what are *all* of the benefits of walking in the Spirit (Galatians 5:16-23; Ephesians 5:19-21)?