

## GALATIANS 15 (5:18-26)

“If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another..”

– Gal 5:24,25

### 1. “led of the Spirit” – Gal 5:18

- a. IT IS NOT like having God’s metal detector – it is not a feeling or emotion
- b. Rom 8:14 – led of the Spirit as sons of God
- c. Led of the Spirit means you are not under the law (Gal 4:1-5)– glory of the flesh
  - i. Eph 2:9 – not of works, lest any man should boast
  - ii. The Spirit in you - Gal 4:6, 1 Cor 3:16, Eph 1:13

### 2. “works of the flesh...shall not inherit the kingdom of God”

- a. A similar injunction → Eph 5:1-7, 1 Cor 6:9-11
  - i. ‘Well done my good and faithful’ – Matt 25:21, 16:27, Rev 20:12-13
  - ii. Evil ministers receive according to their works - 2 Cor 11:15
- b. Works of the flesh do not inherit the kingdom of God – 1 Cor 15:50
- c. Works at all do not inherit eternal life → Eph 2:8-9, Titus 3:5, Rom 4:5, Rom 6:23

### 3. Works of the flesh, Fruit of the spirit

- a. Both come naturally – our soul reckons → Eph 2:10; Titus 2:14; Phil 3:9
- b. The law against these works – Lev 19:17-18, Matt 22:36-40, Rom 13:8 Gal 5:14
  - i. There is no law against the Spirit’s fruit → Gal 5:16
- c. One is manifest, the other is not so manifest – you cant measure these fruits
- d. Works of the flesh also called ‘earthly things’ – Col 3:3
  - i. Earthly things - Phil 3:18-19

### 4. “which are these:”

- a. Lists of these earthly, fleshly, works:
  - i. Gal 5:19-2, Col 3:1-14, 1 Cor 6:9-11, Rom 1:21-32, Eph 4:22-32; 5:5
- b. All these works start with a tendency to do wrong – James 1:15, Jer 17:9
  - i. Matt 5:21,22; 5:31-32; 5:38-39
  - ii. The sin is a symptom of our sinfulness – Rom 5:12
- c. We are born prone to sin and to do wrong
- d. Grieving the Spirit – Eph 4:30, 1 Cor 6:19-20

### 5. “have crucified the flesh”

- a. **Past tense salvation – present tense service**
- b. Reckon yourselves to be dead unto sin - Rom 6:10-11
- c. **“Let us not be desirous of vain glory”**
- d. Vain glory of the works of the law – glory in your flesh Gal 6:13