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Message Series
“Galatians: The Gospel of Grace”

“The Gospel that Changes How We Live”

Galatians 5:16-25

¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control, against such things there is no law. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

“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...” (v. 17, NIV)

The ‘Conflict’ Between the Flesh and the Spirit

I. A life dedicated to the ‘sinful nature’...

“The acts of the sinful nature are evident...” (v. 19)

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II. A life that is dedicated to the ‘sinful nature’...

“...walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh...” (v. 16)

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Taking a Walk

(What it means to ‘walk by the Spirit’)

“And if we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.”

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