Walk by the Spirit, Part 3 Galatians 5:16-26

To walk by the Spirit is to seek to live all of life in a way that is empowered and controlled by the transforming influence of the Spirit in our inner man, so that our whole outlook on life is in harmony with His.

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant... I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And ... they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

Ezekiel 36:24-28 From all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Confirming truth: The promised work of the Spirit would be a heart transformation that would result in a new relationship with God and practical obedience.

Romans 2:28-29

Confirming truth: Heart transformation, which is the essence of the true people of God, happens by the Spirit, not the law.

Romans 6:17

Confirming truth: Christian obedience is obedience from the heart.

Ephesians 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

Philippians 2:12-13 work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Confirming truth: God works in us to transform our motivations and then our actions in line with His good pleasure.

Colossians 3:1-2 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

Confirming truth: Setting our minds on the things of the Spirit is an essential part of living according to the Spirit.

<u>Matthew 16:23</u> "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Romans 8:15-16, 26-27

Romans 12:2

Confirming truth: We discern the will of God rather than the ways of the world when the Spirit transforms us by the renewal of our mind.

I John 2:15-17