

The Spiritual Christian, part 8

Walking by the Spirit

- I.** The spiritual Christian—(*ikos* ending) emanating things from the Holy Spirit, through the human spirit in action.
- ✓ Discerns the riches of his spiritual birth (1 Cor. 2:15).
 - ✓ Compares spiritual things learned to spiritual matters (1 Cor. 2:13).
 - ✓ Distinguishes between things that are fitting in character and lacking in character (Heb. 5:14).
 - ✓ Uses love to perceive things that are of more value, to remain spotless (Phil. 1:8-9).
 - ✓ Perceives potential formidable attacks from the sin nature, accesses the Spirit's enabling (Eph. 5:18; Rom. 6:11; 8:13).
 - ✓ Sees another Christians in spiritual trouble (Gal. 6:1).
 - ✓ Makes decisions on what the Lord deliriously wills, not on what appears acceptable—not prohibited (Jam. 5:13-15).
- II.** Walking by the Spirit, “walking”, περιπατέω, *peripeteo*, to order one's lifestyle (Gal. 5:16).
1. Yielding to God the Father bodily members (Rom. 6:13):
 - 1) “yield” literally “to stand beside” derived meaning, “to place at disposal, to be in readiness.
 - 2) As weapons of righteousness.
 - 3) Every potential offending body member has the same potential for righteous use, all have a proper use.
 - 4) “Living out from among dead ones” (Eph. 5:14-15, cf. 2 Cor. 3:18).
 - i. Taking heed to order lifestyle.
 - ii. As wise—using knowledge.
 2. Yielding body as a living sacrifice (Rom. 12:1).
 - 1) Through the mercies of God—God's goodness and love.
 - 2) “You present.”
 - 3) Living sacrifice.
 - i. Counter intuitive.
 - ii. Results in animation, living, activity.
 - 4) Holy, set apart to God.
 - 5) Well pleasing to God
 - 6) A logical, priestly service.