THE HOLY SPIRIT & ME SERIES (2)

**“Am I Being Led By The Spirit?”** **– Romans 8:1-17**

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**Introduction**

1. The scriptures speak of the Christian being led by the Holy Spirit…
   1. Those led by the Spirit are the sons of God (Rom 8:14)
   2. Those led by the Spirit are not under the law (Gal 5:18)
2. Does our life reflect that the Spirit of God leads or does the flesh speak louder?
3. **Two Kinds Of Life (8:1-4)**
   1. The Flesh
      1. What does Paul mean when he uses the word “flesh”?
      2. In Galatians 5:19-21 Paul describes the kind of those living by the flesh…
         1. Sexual sins
         2. Idolatry
         3. Hatred
         4. Wrath (anger)
         5. Strife
         6. Heresies
         7. Envy
         8. Murder
   2. The Spirit
      1. What is meant by the word “Spirit” (used 20 times in Rom 8)?
      2. The life of those in the Spirit…
         1. A life with redemption
         2. A life free from law of sin and death (8:2)
         3. We are free to walk in the Spirit and not the flesh (8:3-4)
         4. Filled with the fruits of the Spirit (Gal 5:22-23)
4. **Two Principles Of Life (8:5-11)**
   1. Life Dominated By The Flesh (8:6-8)
      1. Hostile toward God
      2. Will not subject to God
      3. Self-centered with only law as own desires
      4. Passion, lust, pride or ambition controlled
   2. Life Dominated By The Spirit of God
      1. Seeks out the will of God, His laws, commands and promises
      2. He desires only to do the will of the Father not his own
      3. Subjects himself to God
      4. They are Spirit and Christ controlled and God focused

**Conclusion for First Part of Sermon (continued tonight)**

1. We have a choice to make on which way our lives should follow…The flesh or the Spirit!
2. Being led by the Spirit of God is a choice and with the help of Romans 8 it is an easy one to make! Will you follow? Tonight we will ask “Have I followed?” and what does the Spirit lead us to?