Walking the Walk In the Spirit Bible Study Dec. 10, 2024 Pastor Allen Boutte

- I. The Spiritual walk. A journey not an event (in our conduct)
- A. Live by the Spirit vs. 16
- 1. Keep on walking and depend on the indwelling Holy Spirit
- 2: live under the influences of the Holy Spirit, and admit those influences fully in our Heart
- 3. The word of God gives direction which control our lives
- 4. Action that is already in process
- 5. It's not automatic you must intentionally yield to its control

B. Led by the Spirit v. 17

- 1. The new nature has the capacity to be led to serve God and righteousness
- 2. We must be willing to follow the Spirit guidance
- 3. Because we were delivered from a life of bondage and legalism
- **C. Fruit of the Spirit :** Paul reveals a list. This explains what those in Christ should expect to see flowing from their lives when they allow the Holy Spirit to guide them. It is called the fruit of the Spirit. It's valuable to understand that this is meant to imply a single fruit—the Greek term is singular. This is not a list of nine independent fruits but nine characteristics of the (single) fruit of the Spirit. In Christ, we should expect to see all these characteristics showing up together as we give God's Spirit full control. They come in no sequence or sort or timeline.
- 1. Love is listed first; it is the foundation of other graces. God is love and love the world. John 3:16. 1 John 4:8
- a. Love agape mean unconditional

- 2. Joy is a deep and abiding inner rejoicing which was promised to those who abide in Christ and rest in God sovereignty Rom 8:28
- 3. It is an inner response and quietness, even in the face of adverse circumstances. It supersedes human understanding
- 4. Patience is the quality of forbearance under provocation
- . It enter no thoughts of retaliation even when wrongfully treated
- 5. Kindness shows God kindness toward sinners so we should show our benevolence in action as Goddemonstrated
- 6. Goodness may be thought of both as an unrighteousness of the heart and an action reaching out to other even when it is not deserved
- 7. Faithfulness is the quality which renders a person trustworthy or reliable, like a faithful servant
- 8. Gentleness marks a person who is submissive to God word an who is considered to others when discipline is needed
- 9. Self- control self mastery in the power of God's Spirit No one would make laws against people who practice such things

D. Keep step in the Spirit vs 25

- 1. Follow with the Spirit
- 2. Our relationship with the Spirit
- 2. Fruit is the result of a living union
- 2. Fruit grow out of the believer life when in step with the Spirit
- 2. Believer walk should conform to the Spirit's direction and enablement
- a. Lest believers become conceited provoking and envying each other
- 3. That a new divine nature resides in our being which is supplied by the Spirit which is able to give new life principles to be conducted under the guidance, impulses and energy of Christian.