

Living by the Spirit in the Last Days

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"Even though this dvd series was previously recorded, these truths are still timeless and vital to understanding our future as Christians. Time marches on..."

1.) Do you understand where you fit in the eternal plan of God?

-Most of scripture was written by the prophets: The prophet Joel -
*read Joel 2:28:

Acts 2: "Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

*Francis Shafer: "The philosopher prophet of the 20th century"

a.) This is an age of the Holy Spirit (grace): We need to walk in the control of the Holy Spirit.

-Spirit Controlled Living in the End Times:

*read Galatians 5:16-26

*read Ephesians 5:17-33

-The Bible says to be filled with the Spirit: It's not an option.

Question: "But won't the Spirit make us do something weird?"

Answer: "God is for us, not against us!"

b.) Characteristics of Walking in the Spirit:

*read Ephesians 5:18-21

vs. 19: Song in your heart: Does that sound miserable?

vs. 20: A thanksgiving attitude: People are often so ungrateful

vs. 21: A submissive spirit:

Ephesians 6:1: Children obey your parents and honor your father and mother.

-Teach your children how to be spirit-filled children and obey in their homes.

-The Spirit filled life promotes a happy family life!

*read Galatians 5:

2.) Walking in the Flesh vs. Walking in the Spirit:

(*Please follow illustration on the screen)

-The soul is the seat of the will.

a.) **Man without Christ:** The more you dwell on something, the more you will respond emotionally.

-We need to put Christ in control of our will.

b.) **New Christian:** You can will to obey Christ or will to not obey Christ.

-The key to lasting happiness in life is being a servant to others.

-Being self serving brings nothing but misery.

*read I Timothy 6:

c.) **Carnal Christian:** They are not surrendered to Christ: often more miserable.

d.) **The Works of the Flesh:** (See illustration)

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| a.) Sensual sins: | Sexual sins |
| b.) Religious sins: | Idolatry, covetousness... |
| c.) Emotional sins: | Fear, anxiety, hatred, bitterness |
| d.) Overt sins: | Murder, drunkenness... |

-Don't walk in the Flesh, walk in the Spirit...

3.) The Fruit of the Spirit:

**Love - Joy - Patience - Peace - Meekness - Gentleness -
Goodness - Faithfulness - Self-Control**

*read Hebrew 11:36:

-Every weakness known to man is compensated by the filling of the Holy Spirit.

a.) **How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?**

(*Please see illustration)

- 1.) Examine yourself for sin: Acts 20:28
- 2.) Confess your sins: I John 1:9

- 3.) Yield yourself to God: Romans 6:11
-We're submissive to God's direction in our lives.
- 4.) Ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- 5.) Believe you're filled with the Holy Spirit!

-The key is to submission to Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

"Have you trusted God to take control of your life?"