“Walking In The Spirit”

Galatians 5:16-18
16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

I. The Need to Walk in the Spirit

A. To Keep From Sin’s Fulfillment 16b, 17
Rom 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

Jas. 1:13-16 Rom. 8:1-4 John 15:4, 5 II Tim. 2:22 Rom. 7:24, 25
Lewis Sperry Chafer, the founder of Dallas Theological Seminary says this:
True Spirituality is a seven fold manifestation of the Spirit in and through the one whom He fills. It is the Divine output of life rather than a mere cessation of things which are called worldly. True spirituality does not consist in what one does not do but rather in what one does. It is not suppression, it is expression. It is not holding in self, it is living out Christ.

B. To Release From Laws Pressure 18
Heb. 8:6, 13 Rom. 8:14, 15 Ps. 40:8 Phil. 2:13

II. The Means To Walk In The Spirit

“Active Passivity” F. Schaeffer

“Walk”  Active  John 15:1-11;
| “Abide”  Rom. 8:1-15 |

“Are Led”  Passive  I Cor. 15:10

A. Spiritually Focused
Rom. 8:5, 6; 12:2 II Cor. 3:18 Col. 3:1, 2 John 15:7

B. Spiritually Aware
Rom. 8:7-11 II Cor. 5:17 Gal. 2:20
Augustine : Thou fool, do you not know that you carry around God in your body!

C. Spiritually Dependent
Rom. 8:3, 13 II Cor. 3:5-18 John 15:4, 5

D. Spiritually Yielded
Rom. 8:12-14; 12:1 John 10:4 John 12:24-26