

FAITH PLEASES GOD

Family Devotion – Lesson 14

MEMORY VERSE—GALATIANS 5:16

“This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.”

- When you walk in the Spirit you will:
 - Let God direct and guide every decision.
 - Have the mind of Christ.
 - Not let feelings be your guide, but the word of God.
 - Trust God by faith.
 - Not let circumstances dictate behavior or attitude.
 - Follow Jesus as your Shepherd.
- If you walk in the Spirit you won't fulfill the desires (lusts) of the flesh. Not all desires of the flesh are wrong and sinful, but quite often they get in the way of God's will for our lives.
- If you walk in the Spirit there will be evidence. The evidence is the FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT. Galatians 5:22 lists the evidence. Do you have the fruit of the Spirit? Think of how each of these nine things can be utilized in certain life situations:
 - 1 — Love (patient, kind, treating others the way you would want to be treated, faithful)
 - 2 — Joy (happiness in the heart)
 - 3 — Peace (contentment or calmness in the heart)
 - 4 — Longsuffering (very patient)
 - 5 — Gentleness (sensitive, kind, caring)
 - 6 — Goodness (doing right)
 - 7 — Faith (trusting God)
 - 8 — Meekness (humble and submissive)
 - 9 — Temperance (self control)



QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS

- Which of the nine do you need more of in your life?
- What do you think will help you walk in the Spirit more?
- What gets in the way of being filled with the Spirit?



PRAYER TIME

- Pray for God to give you opportunities to demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit.
- Ask God to remind you when you are not walking in the Spirit.



CHALLENGE

- Memorize each of the nine evidences of being filled with the Spirit and define each one.