

Spiritual Maturity, Part 2

Walk in the Spirit

Galatians 5:16-17 (NET) 16 But I say, live by the Spirit and you will not carry out the desires of the flesh. 17 For the flesh has desires that are opposed to the Spirit, and the Spirit has desires that are opposed to the flesh, for these are in opposition to each other, so that you cannot do what you want.

v.16) "live by the Spirit"

Many translations say, "walk in the Spirit", or "walk by the Spirit"

The Apostolic Bible Polyglot, "in spirit, walk"

The Amplified Bible, "walk and live [habitually] in the [Holy] Spirit"

The Complete Jewish Bible, "run your lives by the Spirit"

The Lexham English Bible, "live by the Spirit"

The New Living Translation, "let the Holy Spirit guide your lives"

The Tree of Life Bible, "walk by the Ruach"

The Youngs Literal Translation, "In the Spirit walk ye"

Live/Walk (4043) peripateo

- 1) to walk
- 1a) to make one's way, progress; to make due use of opportunities
 - 1b) Hebrew for, to live
 - 1b1) to regulate one's life
 - 1b2) to conduct one's self
 - 1b3) to pass one's life

"Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand,"

Matthew 4:17 17 From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The Kingdom of God is Within

Luke 17:20-21

20 Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; 21 nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you."

Romans 14:17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

All the glory, power and authority of the Kingdom of God come from the righteousness, peace and joy that reside in the Holy Spirit. You cannot separate the Kingdom of God and the Holy Spirit.

The Violent take the Kingdom by Force

Matthew 11:7-12

7 As they departed, Jesus began to say to the multitudes concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind?

Matthew 11:7-12 continued 8 But what did you go out to see? A man clothed in soft garments? Indeed, those who wear soft clothing are in kings houses.

9 But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet.

Matthew 11:7-12 continued 10 For this is he of whom it is written: 'BEHOLD, I SEND MY MESSENGER BEFORE YOUR FACE, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR

WAY BEFORE YOU.'

11 "Assuredly, I say to you, among those born of women there has not risen one greater than John the Baptist; but he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Matthew 11:7-12 continued 12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

Matthew 11:12 (My Paraphrase) And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent takes himself by force.

1 Corinthians 9:27 But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

James 1:8

he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

James 4:8

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Romans 8:7-8

- 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.
- 8 So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Isaiah 26:3

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You,

Because he trusts in You.



