

# Living Free

New Life  
Message 11

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## ► Outline

*... give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. ...*

**Romans 6:13 (NLT)**

### My new life... (Galatians 5:16-26)

1. Responds to the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Galatians 5:16-18. C/R: Romans 6:11-13; 7:5; 8:2-4,9,12-14)

2. Refuses sinful \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Galatians 5:19-21. C/R: Mark 7:20-23; Romans 1:28-32; Colossians 3:5-10)

3. Reveals Christian \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Galatians 5:22-26. C/R: Matthew 7:16-18; John 15:2-5; Romans 6:4-6; 13:14)

**Answers:** 1. Holy Spirit 2. desires 3. character

**Resource Information:** Unless otherwise noted, Scripture verses are from the *Holy Bible*, New Living Translation (NLT). C/R refers to a 'cross reference.' Today's outline and discussion guide are available through the Brookwood Church app.

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## ► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to study the Bible and pursue a deeper relationship with God. Check out other Bible study tools at [biblegateway.com](http://biblegateway.com), [biblestudytools.com](http://biblestudytools.com) or [blueletterbible.org](http://blueletterbible.org).

### Conversation Starter

Describe something you battle.

### Opening in Prayer

Thank God for sending His Spirit to live in our hearts. Spend a few minutes asking God to guide your time in study and personal reflection.

### Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

**Galatians** was written by the apostle Paul to several early Christian communities in the province of Galatia, which is modern-day Turkey (see [Acts 13-14](#)). In this letter, Paul addresses how these young Christians were being misled and missing out on the true freedom found only in the *Good News* of Jesus Christ.

### Read Galatians [5:16-26](#).

1. Imagine talking with Paul about this passage of Scripture. What questions would you ask him?
2. How does the Spirit guide us, and how do we listen to Him (vs. [16, 25](#))? See also: [Psalm 143:8-10](#); [John 16:12-15](#); [1 Corinthians 2:12](#).
3. This passage includes several contrasts between what the Spirit wants and what our sinful nature wants. List several of those contrasts here. What thoughts come to mind as you read through these?
4. How do you harmonize Paul's warning in [vs. 21](#) with his earlier statements that salvation and inheritance are given by grace and received by faith?
5. What does it mean that the Holy Spirit produces fruit in our lives? How does the Spirit do that?

6. Why is *fruit* a good description of the Spirit's work in us?
7. Which sins from [vs. 5:19-21](#) do you think are most frequently tolerated by Christians today? Why do you think these are considered less serious than the others? (*Are they really less serious?*)
8. [Vs. 24](#) tells us, *Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to His cross and crucified them there.* How is it possible then, we still act out of a sinful nature?
9. How would you summarize the main teaching of this passage?
10. What truth or Bible verse from this week's teaching is most significant to you? Why?

### Soul Training

Spend time thanking God for the Spirit's work in your life. Pray for the Spirit's help in areas where you feel out of step.

### Memory Verse

... give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. ... [Romans 6:13 \(NLT\)](#)

### Daily Reading

- Day 1: [Romans 8:5-11](#)                      Day 4: [James 3:13-18](#)  
Day 2: [Psalm 150:1-6](#)                      Day 5: [Mark 4:14-20](#)  
Day 3: [Philippians 1:9-11](#)

### Prepare for Next Sunday

We'll conclude the *Living Free* series in **Galatians** next week with a message titled SOWING AND REAPING. To prepare read [Galatians 6:1-18](#).