



WALK *by the*
SPIRIT



What is real freedom?

Freedom does not mean I am able to do whatever I want to do.

That's the worst kind of bondage.

Freedom means I have been set free to become all that God wants me to be, to achieve all that God wants me to achieve, to enjoy all that God wants me to enjoy.

Warren W. Wiersbe

What are some indicators that we are trying to do things in our own strength?

- *You're feeling a lot of anxiety*
- *You're experiencing burn-out*
- *You're not aware of God's presence*
- *You're not spending much time in prayer*
- *You're apathetic about reading God's Word*
- *You're not loving people with Christ's love*



Ancient Prophecy of Ezekiel

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.

Ezekiel 36:24-25

Paul wants them to remember the new life they had in the Spirit.

Live /walk by the Spirit (Gal. 5:16)

Led by the Spirit (Gal. 5:18)

Live by the Spirit (Gal. 5:25)

Keep in step with the Spirit (Gal. 5:25)

Sow to the Spirit (Gal. 6:8)



*One of
Church of the Messiah's
Core Values*

*Listening to God and
staying in step with the Spirit
in our decision-making
and in accomplishing our vision.*



Walking by the Spirit

Giving up control

Paying Attention

Obedience

Step of Faith