

Text: Galatians 5:16-26

**Big Idea:** While grace seems "stunningly free", we do not have the option to walk our own path. We are called to be led by the Holy Spirit. We follow His lead in the spiritual war for believers that continues between our flesh (human nature) and His desires.

- We need to acknowledge the <u>unseen</u>.
- We must observe the obvious.
- We walk in the Spirit by way of <u>community</u>.

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Throughout our lives, believers go through seasons where spiritual war is a skirmish and other seasons with full blown battles and conflict. Have you experienced this? How did the Lord carry you through it? Share personal examples.
- 2. We can be described as gardeners of the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23a). How does the gardener analogy help you understand the role you play in the Holy Spirit's work?
- 3. How does authentic community allow others to speak into your life?
- 4. What are some things you can do as a group to battle complacency toward the spiritual battle for your hearts? What covenants can you make to support each other?