

### Two Extremes

18 I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. 19 But in the church I would rather speak five intelligible words to instruct others than ten thousand words in a tongue. (1 Co 14:18)

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- Evidence of the Supernatural

## The Seduction of Legalism

- The Seducer
  - Satan
- The State of Mind
  - Spellbound
- The Seduction

  - Faith vs. Legalism
    Transformation vs. Boundaries



"Transformation"
Marks of:
Open to Supernatural
Heart and Head
Ritual Useful, but not dependent
Doctrine of practical pursuit
Precepts for People

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# Suggested Solutions to Legalism

"Spirit Life"



<sup>1</sup>Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.



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Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.



<sup>6</sup> The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace; <sup>7</sup> the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup> Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness.

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.



Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation—but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

## Suggested Solutions to Legalism

- "Spirit Life"
- Do not judge yourself or others based on your personal sacrifices
- Seek Transformation

  - Am I becoming more Christ-like?
    Is my love for others increasing
    or decreasing?
    Is my life pointing others to Christ?
    Am I serving and sacrificing?



