

## **4<sup>th</sup> Step for gaining freedom in Christ is to Take a direction (Vs 19-26)**

Read Vs 19-21

1. Look at works as opposed to fruit of Spirit
  - a. Works - effort at attempted self-gain
  - b. Fruit - benefits from living in Christ's life
2. Every work of the flesh is for self, not others
3. "And such like" – this isn't a complete list
4. Now, those that have this lifestyle have not been born again & are still dead in their sins
  - a. Read I Cor 6:9-11 – From 'The Chosen' 'I used to be one way & now I'm completely different & the thing in the middle was Him'

Read Vs 22-23

1. Being born anew & yielded to the Spirit of God, these things will by nature come out of us
2. "Against such there is no law" – No one would outlaw these things b/c all agree that these are good

## Read 24

1. It's a choice to not live by our lustful heart, but instead walk in the power of the Spirit

## Read Vs 25-26

1. We've been gifted life by the Spirit, now we just have to take our steps in the Spirit
  - a. Don't turn back to selfishness
2. We will bear some kind of results from our acts (Read Rom 6:21-22)
  - a. Matt 13 – Good soil produces good fruit
  - b. Turn to John 15:4 – Abide in Vine to bear fruit
  - c. God will work on us to bear more fruit
    - i. Turn to John 15:2
    - ii. Heb 12:11 says, “Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.”