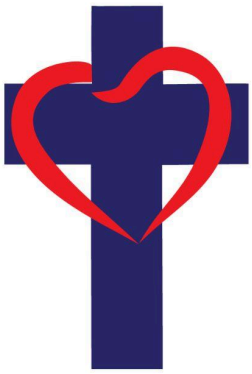

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Save the Lost · Grow the Saved

5-Day Devotional: Living in the Spirit

Day 1: The Inner War
Reading: Romans 7:21-25; Galatians 5:17

Devotional:
Paul's honest confession reveals a reality every believer faces: an ongoing war between flesh and Spirit. Your desires pull in opposite directions—the flesh toward sin, the Spirit toward righteousness. This internal conflict isn't a sign of spiritual failure; it's evidence that the Holy Spirit is actively working within you. Recognizing your wretchedness apart from Christ is the first step toward freedom. You cannot win this battle through willpower alone. Victory comes through surrendering daily to the Spirit's control and acknowledging your complete dependence on Jesus. The war is real, but so is your Deliverer. Today, confess your weakness and invite the Holy Spirit to strengthen your inner being.

Day 2: Delighting in God's Word
Reading: Psalm 1; Psalm 119:35, 105

Devotional:
What truly delights you? Your answer reveals where your heart dwells. The blessed life isn't found in health, wealth, or comfort—it's found in delighting in God's Word. When Scripture becomes your pleasure and satisfaction, transformation begins. God's Word acts as a lamp, illuminating just enough path for your next step, keeping you dependent on Him rather than your own understanding. Like a tree planted by streams of water, you'll bear fruit when rooted in Scripture. This isn't about religious duty; it's about discovering the joy of knowing God intimately through His unchanging truth. Today, ask God to create in you a genuine delight for His Word, not just obligation.

Day 3: Led by His Light
Reading: Psalm 119:105; Ephesians 3:16; 2 Corinthians 4:16

Devotional:
God doesn't illuminate your entire journey at once—He provides light for the next step. This requires trust and daily dependence. While your outer self wastes away, your inner being is renewed day by day through the Spirit and God's Word. Spiritual transformation happens gradually as you feed your inner self with truth and obedience. God's Word isn't a floodlight revealing years ahead; it's a candle guiding your immediate path, keeping you close and focused. This proximity prevents distraction and keeps you dependent on Him. Your flesh weakens, but your spirit strengthens. Today, surrender your need to see the whole path. Trust God's light for this moment and let His Word strengthen your inner being.

Day 4: Greater Works Await
Reading: John 14:12; Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 13:8

Devotional:
Jesus promised that believers would do greater works than He did—not through human ability, but through the indwelling Holy Spirit. This isn't hyperbole; it's expectation. Yet many Christians live far beneath this calling, settling for ordinary when extraordinary is available. The key is believing and going in the Spirit's power. God never changes, which means His promises remain true today. His character, revealed in Scripture, guarantees His faithfulness. The question isn't whether God can work powerfully through you—it's whether you'll believe Him and step out in obedience. Your job is to believe and go. Today, ask God where He's calling you to greater works and commit to walking in the Spirit's power.

Day 5: Awaiting Deliverance
Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:52-53; 2 Corinthians 5:4; James 4:1

Devotional:
Your body is a temporary tent, not your permanent home. This perspective changes everything. When you grasp that this world isn't your destination, you stop clinging to it so tightly. Jesus is coming to deliver you from this perishable body into immortality—no more sin, pain, tears, or death. Until that glorious day, you must endure through the Spirit's power. The closer you draw to God, the more burdened you become for what matters eternally rather than temporarily. Your conflicts and struggles are spiritual battles requiring spiritual weapons. Stop fighting for what's passing away and live for what's eternal. Today, shift your focus from physical concerns to spiritual realities. You win in the end—live like it.