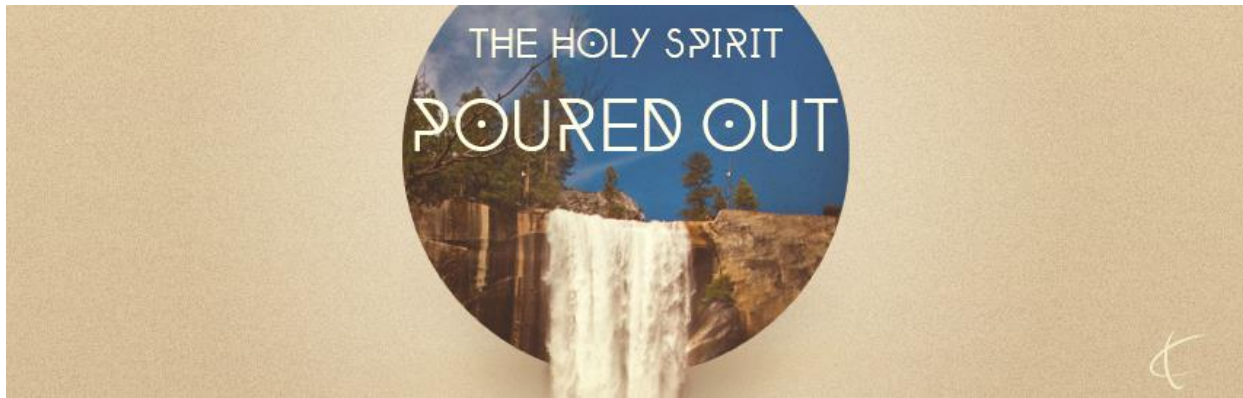


DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



These discussion questions are designed to extend the impact of the Sunday message. You can use them for your personal Bible study, family study, and/or small group study.

Overview

Sermon: *Keep in Step*

*Those who belong to Christ Jesus have **crucified the flesh** with its passions and desires. 25 Since we **live by the Spirit**, let us **keep in step** with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become **conceited**, provoking and envying each other. - Galatians 5:24–25 (NIV)*

Discussion

1. Have you ever had to go someplace you didn't want to go but, in the end, it was good for you? Please explain.
2. What does it mean to "keep in step" with the Spirit? Where is God leading your church? Where is God leading you?
3. Would you consider "living by the Spirit," being "led by the Spirit" and "keeping in step" with the Spirit, daily activities? Why?
4. Read Acts 16:1-10. Why do you think Timothy agreed to be circumcised? Did he absolutely need to be circumcised? Was this too much to ask of Timothy? Is this similar to what Paul says elsewhere about becoming "all things to all men?" (1 Corinthians 9:19-23) How?
5. The Spirit sometimes says "no" to our plans. He would not allow Paul to travel to Mysia or Bythinia. Why do you think the Spirit did not allow him to travel there?

Application

6. Where the Spirit goes, we go. Paul used his freedom in the Spirit to become "all things to all men" so that he might win a few to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. How can we practice freedom in the Spirit to win people to the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
7. Timothy "took on pain" when he chose to be circumcised. Instead of becoming offended and boycott or choosing to retreat when we are uncomfortable, how might we "take on pain" by becoming convicted and engaged in our culture today?

End your time of study with prayer. Pray for each person to go where the Spirit goes.

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