

# Sermon Notes

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## **How to Live Your Christian Life, Pleasing God, Following the Holy Spirit's Lead**

Romans 8:1-16

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**Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030**

**8:1-4 In Christ, you are set free from the law of sin and death, and from trying and failing to keep the O.T. Law.**

**The requirements of the Law are fulfilled in us who walk by the Spirit.**

**8:5-8 Set your mind on the things of the Spirit. This is how we please God.**

We should set our attention on listening to the Spirit. And when we have heard something from Him that we are supposed to do, we keep that on our minds.

**The results are true life and peace.**

**8:9-11 If you trust Christ, His Spirit is dwelling in you.**

The Holy Spirit will raise us from the dead, just like He did Christ.

But right now that power is in us to help us live differently now.

**8:12-13 We owe nothing to the flesh. By the Spirit, we are to be putting to death the sinful behaviors of the flesh.**

**8:14-16 Those led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. The Spirit Himself even testifies to that fact from within us.**

This is not to create pressure, like a new slavery, and make you fearful. It's supposed to give you assurance.

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**What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.**

Suggested related reading: Galatians 4:4-6, 1 John 4:13, Colossians 1:9-12, Romans 15:13

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Application questions for 9/16/18 sermon

Romans 8:1-16

## **Following the Holy Spirit's Lead**

(I would suggest dividing into guys and ladies separately to answer just this first question.

Try to have everyone answer this question.)

What is something that in the last couple months you have said you wanted to work on, and how are you doing with that?

Read Romans 8:1-16

What has been your experience with the flesh ruling, or seeming to rule your life, leading you to sin? As a non-Christian or as a Christian, what does it produce - destruction, lack of peace, etc.? As a Christian, does it make you doubt your relationship with God?

If you have tried to live by “rules” that you think are the laundry list of expectations for religion, or for pleasing God, what has been your experience with that? Have you been successful, or has it seemed an impossible struggle? Has it felt like you are pleasing God?

This new way we are supposed to live as Christians, walking by the Spirit, how do you understand that? How is it different than walking by the flesh? How is it different that trying to keep the Law (hundreds of commands all at once)?

If you have lived walking by the Spirit, what have you experienced is good about it?

If you are not sure you have lived walking by the Spirit, what excites you about the prospect of living this way?

What are your concerns with trying to live this way?

What is your understanding now of what it means to “set your mind on the things of the Spirit”? What does that mean you are to do?

(Try to have everyone answer this question.)

How do you need to think differently, or how do you want to live differently, based on what you've learned about walking by the Spirit?

What significance does it have to you to know the power that raised Jesus and will raise you from the dead, is in you, at work in you?

Do you have a question for the group? It might be something you don't understand that others could help with, or something you think should be covered that hasn't.