

# Gal 36

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## Intro: Gal 36

### The work of the Spirit in Galatians

## The event of the Spirit

#### ▼ *the event*

##### ▼ did you receive the Spirit - Aorist Active Indicative

“This only I want to learn from you: *Did you receive the Spirit* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?” (Gal. 3:2 NKJV)

##### ▼ Having begun in the Spirit - Aorist Middle Participle

“Are you so foolish? *Having begun in the Spirit*, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?” (Gal. 3:3 NKJV)

▼ The supply of the Spirit - Present Active Participle

“Therefore *He who supplies the Spirit* to you and works miracles among you, does He do it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?—” (Gal. 3:5 NKJV)

▼ the promise of the Spirit

“that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive *the promise of the Spirit* through faith.”(Gal. 3:14 NKJV)

▼ Sonship by the Spirit

“And *because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son* into your hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!”” (Gal. 4:6 NKJV)

## Under new management

▼ *under new management*

▼ Walk in the Spirit = Led by the Spirit

▼ Galatians 5:16 (NKJV)

I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Galatians 5:16 (NLT) *So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what*

*your sinful nature craves.*

▼ Gal. 5:18 (NKJV)

“But if you are *led* by the Spirit, you are not under the law.”

The great evangelist D. L. Moody illustrated this point by quoting an old former slave woman in the South following the Civil War. Being a former slave, she was confused about her status and asked: *Now is I free, or been I not? When I go to my old master he says I ain't free, and when I go to my own people they say I is, and I don't know whether I'm free or not. Some people told me that Abraham Lincoln signed a proclamation, but master says he didn't; he didn't have any right to.*

Many Christians are confused on the same point. Jesus Christ has given them an “Emancipation Proclamation,” but their “old master” tells them they are still slaves to a legal relationship with God. They live in bondage because their “old master” has deceived them. Quoted by David Guzik

▼ Rom. 8:14 (NKJV)

“For as many as are *led* by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.”

▼ The Fruit of the Spirit is love

*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love; joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.”*(Gal. 5:22–24 NKJV)

## The follow-through

▼ the follow-through

▼ (Gal. 5:25–26 NKJV)

“If we live in the Spirit, let us also *walk* in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.”

▼ Galatians 5:25 (NIV)

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep *in step with* the Spirit.

as we are alive in the Spirit we have possibilities

## Carnal or spiritual?

▼ There are two states that can describe the life of a child of God there are no degrees within these two possibilities. We cannot be "not very spiritual" nor can we be "over-spiritual". These are two either/or alternatives... spiritual or carnal.

▼ (Gal. 6:1–2 NKJV)

“Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, *you who are spiritual* restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.”

## Walking or walking?

▼ (Gal. 5:16 NKJV)

“I say then: *Walk* in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.”

▼ walking - normal pattern of life. 'walk around'

Walk G4043 περιπατέω  
[GNT-Byzantine 2005]

περιπατεῖτε Verb 2 plur pres act impera to walk, walk around

*peripateō*

Walk (230x) G4043 (96x)

▼ [Vine's Expository Dictionary]

(a) physically, in the Synoptic Gospels (except Mar 7:5); always in the Acts except in Act 21:21; never in the Pauline Epistles, nor in those of John;

(b) figuratively, "*signifying the whole round of the activities of the individual life*, whether of the unregenerate, Eph 4:17, or of the believer, 1Cr 7:17; Col 2:6. It is applied to the observance of religious ordinances, Act 21:21; Hbr 13:9, marg., as well as to moral conduct. The Christian is to walk in newness of life, Rom 6:4, after the spirit, Rom 8:4, in honesty, Rom 13:13, by faith, 2Cr 5:7, in good works, Eph 2:10, in love, Eph 5:2, in wisdom, Col 4:5, in truth, 2Jo 1:4, after the commandments of the Lord, 2Jo 1:6. And, negatively, not after the flesh, Rom 8:4; not after the manner of men, 1Cr 3:3; not in craftiness, 2Cr 4:2; not by sight, 2Cr 5:7; not in the vanity of the mind, Eph 4:17; not disorderly, 2Th 3:6." \*

▼ [Liddell & Scott (Intermediate)]

περιπατέω, f. ἤσω, (περίπατος) to walk up and down, to walk about, Ar., Xen.: generally, to walk, Plat., etc  
2. metaph. to walk, i.e. live, N.T. Hence περιπατητικός

▼ [Mounce's Expository Dictionary]

Verb: περιπατέω (peripateō), gk G4344 (s G4043), 95x. Literally, peripateō means "to walk around" (Mt. 9:5; 11:5; Jn. 6:66; Rev. 2:1). Figuratively, the NT uses peripateō to refer to the way believers behave or conduct daily life (Mk. 7:5; Eph. 2:2; 2 Cor. 5:7; Gal. 5:16). Some translations use "live" for this meaning. See live.

(1) Literally, peripateō means "to walk around, follow." Only the Synoptic Gospels and Revelation use the word in this way. Jesus asks whether it is easier to say that someone's sins are forgiven or to tell him to get up and "walk" (Mt. 9:5). Because of the presence of the kingdom of God, the lame walk (Mt. 11:5; 15:31; Acts 3:8-9). After hearing a hard teaching from Jesus, many people no longer "follow" him (Jn. 6:66). Believers must be on their guard because

the devil “prowls about” looking for someone to devour (1 Pet. 5:8).  
Jesus “walks” among the seven churches of Revelation (Rev. 2:1)

▼ Gal. 5:25 (NKJV)

“If we live in the Spirit, let us also *walk* in the Spirit.”

▼ walking - deliberate choice and purpose

*stoicheō* - στοιχῶμεν (1x) στοιχέω (5x)

▼ [Vine's Expository Dictionary]

from *stoichos*, "a row," signifies "to walk in line," and is used metaphorically of "walking" in relation to others (No. 1 is used more especially of the individual walk); in Act 21:24, it is translated "walkest orderly;" in Rom 4:12, "walk (in... steps);" in Gal 5:25 it is used of walking "by the Spirit," RV, in an exhortation to keep step with one another in submission of heart to the Holy Spirit, and therefore of keeping step with Christ, the great means of unity and harmony in a church (contrast No. 1 in Gal 5:16; ver. 25 begins a new section which extends to 6:10); in Gal 6:16 it is used of walking by the rule expressed in Gal 6:14, 15; in Phl 3:16 the reference is to the course pursued by the believer who makes "the prize of the high calling" the object of his ambition. In the Sept., Ecc 11:6.

▼ [Liddell & Scott (Intermediate)]

στοιχέω, f. ἦσω, (στοῖχος) to go in a line or row: *to go in battle-order*, Xen.

ll. c. dat. to be in line with, walk by rule or principle, c. dat., N.T.

▼ NT Usage

“Take them and be purified with them, and pay their expenses so that they may shave their heads, and that all may know that those things of which they were informed concerning you are nothing, but that you yourself also walk orderly and keep the law.” (Acts 21:24 NKJV)

“and the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham had while still uncircumcised.” (Rom. 4:12 NKJV)

“If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.” (Gal. 5:25 NKJV)

“Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind.” (Phil. 3:16 NKJV)

## Sowing to the Spirit - the principles

### ▼ Personal Accountability

“Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

(Gal. 6:7–10 NKJV)

### ▼ choose this day, whom you will serve

- do not be deceived
- the inevitable rule of life
- don't grow weary
- seize the opportunity