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- We are free to care for the _____ of others as much as our own.

“Through the Spirit”

Three _____ of Living by the Spirit

- Living out the _____ of the Spirit
 - ▶ We consistently _____ the commands of Christ.
 - Christ’s commands are _____ by our sinful nature.
 - Christ’s commands cannot be _____ in our own power.
 - Christ’s commands are joyfully _____ by His Spirit.
- Living under the _____ of the Spirit
 - ▶ We are _____ to follow in our power.
 - ▶ We are _____ led by the Spirit’s power.
 - God’s children _____ His Spirit.
 - God’s children are not _____:
 - Because we are _____ by the Spirit.
 - Because we _____ obedience.



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Three **Aspects** of Living by the Spirit

- Living out the **desires** of the Spirit
 - ▶ We consistently **obey** the commands of Christ.
 - Christ’s commands are **opposed** by our sinful nature.
 - Christ’s commands cannot be **obeyed** in our own power.
 - Christ’s commands are joyfully **accomplished** by His Spirit.
- Living under the **leadership** of the Spirit
 - ▶ We are **helpless** to follow in our power.
 - ▶ We are **eagerly** led by the Spirit’s power.
 - God’s children **pursue** His Spirit.
 - God’s children are not **under the law**:
 - Because we are **alive** by the Spirit.
 - Because we **enjoy** obedience.

- Living with the _____ of the Spirit
 - ▶ We demonstrate the _____ of Christ
 - Fruit produced by the Spirit does not _____ performance.
 - Fruit produced by the Spirit _____ the Law.
 - Fruit produced by the Spirit proclaims _____ with Christ.

Two _____ of Living by the Spirit

- Be _____ over the sinful nature.
 - ▶ Recognize your heart's _____.
 - ▶ Realize sustaining _____.
- _____ to Christ!

- Living with the **evidence** of the Spirit
 - ▶ We demonstrate the **character** of Christ
 - Fruit produced by the Spirit does not **command** performance.
 - Fruit produced by the Spirit **fulfills** the Law.
 - Fruit produced by the Spirit proclaims **union** with Christ.

Two **Avenues** of Living by the Spirit

- Be **victorious** over the sinful nature.
 - ▶ Recognize your heart's **focus**.
 - ▶ Realize sustaining **grace**.
- **Belong** to Christ!