

Volume 3, Day 11: Faith's Gravitational Pull

What we need to **follow** is **the Holy Spirit** who lives in us. And that's what Jesus said. I'm going to give you Him to be in union with your spirit. He will guide you into all truth. Now, to be sure, even the John 16 explanation of the role of the Holy Spirit is largely wrongly taught. We hear that the Holy Spirit convicts the believer of sin, righteousness and judgment. However, that role of the Holy Spirit applies to unsaved persons. Further down in the chapter Jesus says that the role of His Holy Spirit is to **guide the believer to the truth** (correct interpretation of scripture and the ugly truth about ourselves).

So this journey, "walking in the Spirit," is not about obedience to rules or principles. It really is about following the Holy Spirit as He makes the will of the Father known within us. Here's an illustration. We're going to consider the gravitational pull of the **earth** and the **moon**. We're being pulled by two forces. The gravitational pull of the earth (**like our natural ways**) holds us here. The moon (**like the Holy Spirit**) with its gravitational pull isn't as strong as this, but we still feel it, or at least see its effects when our tides are high and low. The pull of earth is stronger until we move close enough to the moon for its pull to be stronger on us. So this new journey might be like our space flight to the moon. The pull of the distant new truth (moon/Holy Spirit) will not overwhelm the old truth (earth/our nature) until we are well into the flight.

Walking in the Spirit is a vastly different life than walking in the flesh (trying hard not to sin). It is as different as the earth walk is to the moon walk. Let the Holy Spirit teach you how to **release your control** to Him and peace will be yours as you let Him do the work.