

**ON A WALK WITH GOD** In Step With Him November 10th, 2024 New River Church

## **ICEBREAKER**

Are you someone who loves to dance, or do you prefer to stay on the sidelines? Share a fun or memorable dancing experience if you have one!

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. **Keeping in Step with the Spirit**: Galatians 5:25 speaks about keeping in step with the Spirit. How would you describe what it means to be "in step" with God in your daily life? How does this analogy of dancing with God resonate with you?
- 2. Freedom to Live Fully: In Galatians 5:1, Paul reminds us that "for freedom Christ has set us free." Pastor Keith mentioned that we can be set free from the brokenness of life but not necessarily live free. Are there areas in your life where you struggle to fully live in the freedom Jesus offers?
- 3. The Dance of Obedience and Trust: Just like a dance requires trust and coordination, our walk with God involves trust and obedience. Pastor Keith shared that obedience is often misunderstood as restrictive, but it actually brings freedom. How do you feel about this idea, and have you experienced it in your life?
- 4. **The Fruit of the Spirit as a Reflection of God**: Galatians 5:22-23 lists the fruit of the Spirit as love, joy, peace, and more. Pastor Keith pointed out that these qualities are who the Holy Spirit *is*, rather than just traits we aspire to. How does this change your understanding of spiritual growth?
- 5. **Embracing the Struggle**: Pastor Keith emphasized the real struggle between the flesh and the Spirit within us. In what areas of your life do you feel this tension most strongly? How can we "embrace the struggle" in a way that leads us closer to God and to victory?
- 6. Letting Dead Stuff Die: Galatians 5:24 tells us to "crucify the flesh with its passions and desires." Pastor Keith encouraged us to let "dead stuff" die in our lives. What does this look like practically for you? Are there specific things you need to let go of to stay in step with the Spirit?
- 7. **The Joy of the Dance**: When we "offer what is broken" and choose God's way, Pastor Keith said we start to experience a new kind of freedom and joy in following Him. How can you more intentionally embrace this "dance" with the Spirit this week? What steps will you take to listen to His lead in your everyday life?

## PRAYER

Holy Spirit, help us to keep in step with You each day, trusting Your lead and letting go of anything that holds us back. Show us how to walk in the freedom You offer, and fill us with Your love, joy, peace, and all that You are. We want to know You more deeply and follow You with all our hearts. In Jesus' name, Amen.