

THE ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN COUNSELING

Galatians 5:1-26

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I. Falsehoods about the Holy Spirit's Ministry

- A. **Fabricated view** of the doctrine of sanctification – the Holy Spirit speaks to me personally and provides me with special direction and information not found in the Bible.

- B. **Fallacious view** of the doctrine of illumination – the Holy Spirit gives me unique and special insight into the meaning of Scripture.

- C. **Fake view** of the doctrine of glorification – the Holy Spirit provides me with the gift of tongues for me to give God glory in my personal worship.

II. Facts about the Holy Spirit's Ministry

- A. **Fallenness** – embracing human technique for change (5:1-4)

- B. **Faith** – sole dependence on the Holy Spirit for change (5:5-6)

C. **Faithlessness** – living according to flesh abolishes the purpose of the cross (5:7-12)

D. **Freedom** – living according to the Spirit sets you free to love and serve others (5:13-18;
cf. 6:1)

E. **Flesh** – the evil practices that come from a devoted sense of self-righteousness (5:19-21)

1. Sexual Sins:

2. False Religion:

3. Interpersonal Conflicts:

4. Self-indulgent Pleasure:

F. **Fruit** (5:22-26)

- Love is joyful –
- Love is peaceful –
- Love is patient –
- Love is kind –
- Love is good –
- Love is faithful –
- Love is gentle –
- Love is self-controlled –