## Two Kinds of People - Romans 8:5-11

The <u>Christian</u> is "in the Spirit" so that his heart and mind are dominated by the things of the Spirit and the outcome is life and peace.

The <u>Unbeliever</u> is "in the flesh" so that his heart and mind are dominated by sin and the outcome is death.

## **Questions for Discussion & Application:**

- 1. What was helpful, confusing, or challenging from this study of God's Word?
- 2. What two words are repeated again and again in Romans 8:5-11? The repetition of these two words helps us to see that there are the two kinds of people? Who are they?
- 3. What does the person who is "in the flesh" and who lives according to the sinful nature have his heart/mind/focus set upon? What are some specific examples? (see Galatians 5:19-21)
- 4. What does the person who is "in the Spirit" have his heart/mind/focus set upon? What are some specific examples? (Galatians 5:22-26)
- 5. What is the relationship of the person who is "in the flesh" to God? (see Romans 8:7-8)
- 6. Is the true Christian in the flesh or in the Spirit? (see Romans 8:9)
- 7. Whoever dominates your heart, mind, and life proves who you belong to the flesh or the Spirit. What are some evidences that the Spirit has control over your life as a Christian?
- 8. According to verse 6, being one whose life is dominated by the sinful flesh will lead to death. What do you think this means? What are some examples where you have seen this proven true?
- 9. Being controlled by the Spirit produces life and peace according to verse 6. How have you experienced this in your own life? How will you ultimately experience this life and peace in the future? (see Romans 8:11 & 18)
- 10. As a Christian, how do you walk in humble reliance upon the Holy Spirit who lives within you?