Life in the Spirit—Two Mindsets Study Questions Romans 8:5-8

- 1) [Romans 8:5] What does it mean to have your mind set on what the flesh desires—what are some examples of this? Conversely, what does it mean to have your mind set on what the Spirit desires (examples)?
- 2) [Romans 8:6] Why does a mind set on the flesh lead to death? What kind of death might Paul be talking about, and what are some examples of what that might look like? (Look to Galatians 5:19-21 for a starting list, but what are others, and why are these the result of a fleshly mindset?)
- 3) Why does a mind set on serving the Spirit lead to life and peace? What kind of life and peace might Paul be talking about? What are some examples from your own experience?
- 4) [Romans 8:7-8] Why is a mind set on the flesh always hostile to God and His will? How can an adversary use someone's fleshly mindset against them or against God?
- 5) [Romans 7:21-24] Just prior to Romans 8, Paul said how he delighted in God's law, but sin still worked within him. How have you witnessed this struggle between God's will and your own (even if it was a struggle that didn't end in any outward action)? How have you let God help you with that struggle?