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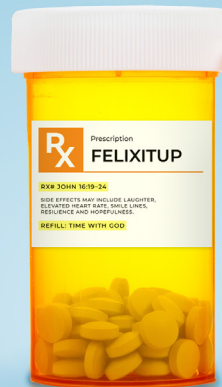
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**THIS WORSHIP GUIDE BELONGS TO:**

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We're grateful for good medicine for the body. Good medicine for the soul is the fruit of the Spirit found in Galatians 5. Drug companies are running out of names to use, but let's name three new medicines for the soul: Morapax, Amoritanz and Felixitup. The benefits outweigh the side effects, and I think your prescription costs will be covered.



## 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup> “If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup> It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup> Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup> It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

<sup>8</sup> Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears.

<sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. <sup>12</sup> For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

<sup>13</sup> And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.”

*Wow, what an awesome truth! What does this biblical description of God's love tell us about who He is?*

*What are some “ways of childhood” that you think Paul might be referring to here? As we mature in our lives, what changes take place?*

*When we allow the love of God to guide us, how do we then see a difference in our daily lives?*

## PRAYER NOTES:

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**In this biblical text, it is so clear to see how important love is to the heart of God. I am sure that many of us agree that hope and faith are incredibly valuable things to have in our lives, yet here the Bible says that love is even greater than those two! The love of God has no limits, no boundaries, and no conditions. Jesus Himself is the true definition of love, and this is a truth in which we can place our confidence.**

– Colin Magnusson

## HISTORICAL CONTEXT:

The book of 1 Corinthians was written to the local church community of a city named Corinth. In Corinth many people were passionate about living a spiritual life that honored God. However, without realizing it, this community was focused on how religious the people could look instead of focusing on the goodness and beauty of God! Paul writes this letter to encourage and correct their view, so that it may be taken off us, as humans, and placed on God and His great love.

## ICEBREAKERS:

What is your favorite brand of cereal?

If you had to choose between skiing or snowboarding, which one would you choose? Why?

**JOHN 16:19-24**

<sup>19</sup> Jesus saw that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, “Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, ‘In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me’?”

<sup>20</sup> Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. <sup>21</sup> A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. <sup>22</sup> So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.

<sup>23</sup> In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. <sup>24</sup> Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.

*How can believing this truth encourage us in our walk of faith when we do have tough times?*

*What are some things that we can ask the Father that will help us continue to grow and deepen our view of God?*

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## HISTORICAL CONTEXT:

This Bible passage takes place the night before Jesus ends up being crucified. In this moment Jesus recognizes that the disciples are very confused about what is going to happen, so Jesus shares with them the promise of God that one day those who place faith in Him will reunite with Him in heaven. That is an amazing truth that we can hold onto!

## ICEBREAKER:

What is your favorite food to eat on Thanksgiving?

Jesus extends an awesome invitation to us when He lets us know that we can come to God the Father to ask for things in His name. As we learn what it means to live a life that is guided by Christ, the Holy Spirit will guide us and show us what to ask for in our lives! God is real, He is alive, and He wants us to get to know Him; this is the relationship we were created for!

– Colin Magnusson

## GALATIANS 5:13-26

<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. <sup>14</sup> For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."<sup>15</sup> If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

<sup>16</sup> So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

<sup>19</sup> The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup> idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions <sup>21</sup> and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Paul speaks about freedom and how we should be good stewards of our freedom. Did you know you can be a good or bad steward of freedom? How do you define freedom? What is Paul trying to tell us today?

What did Paul mean by saying "walk by the Spirit" to the audience at that time? What does it mean for us today? Is it the same or different?

Talk about the "Flesh vs. the Spirit." What are some of the differences you noticed?



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Paul's letter to the church of Galatia was not about fulfilling rules. However, it's about living out a faithful life with community. When you think about classroom rules or sports rules, they are not about just following the rules. It's about living in such a way that is respectful, or in sports we call it sportsmanship. In addition, Paul's intention was not to tell Galatia what rules to follow. He is reminding them what it means to live with respect or sportsmanship in the Spirit of God.

– Marcos Henry

## HISTORICAL CONTEXT:

The Apostle Paul was the writer of this letter to the Church of Galatia. In this letter, Paul tries to persuade many Judean Christians into understanding that the Gentiles are not in need of circumcision for salvation. In the ancient culture, it was believed by many Jewish groups to become a Christian you needed to be circumcised because that is part of the culture and the law. However, Paul reminds the Judean Christians and all the other people that circumcision is not the way of salvation. It is the Holy Spirit living in you that brings salvation. The phrase "circumcision of the heart" is what Paul was trying to teach the Church of Galatia.

## ICEBREAKERS:

What is one song you must do as a singalong?

What is one thing you always must argue about?

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