

# NS LIFE GROUPS

NorthStar Church

Some Assembly Required – Part 4

Galatians 5:13-25

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**Main Idea:** We were created for relationship, but every relationship is a war zone between my kingdom and God's Kingdom.

**Icebreaker:** When you hear someone say that relationships are a war zone, start listing out loud the things that come to mind.

## **Study:**

In our relationships, two kingdoms are at war, and we can only find real truth and freedom by looking into the mirror of God's Word. (James 1:23-25)

The two kingdoms at war are "My kingdom" vs. "God's Kingdom."

### 1. **My kingdom (flesh)--Galatians 5:13-15, 19-21.**

- a. How does a desire to "indulge" our sinful flesh (v. 13) affect the way we relate to others?
- b. What are some examples of what it means to bite and devour one another in a relationship (v. 15)? Why do we do this?
- c. Read through the list of sins in v. 19-21. Which of these specific sins have negatively impacted some of your relationships?

### 2. **God's kingdom (Holy Spirit)--Galatians 5:13-14, 16-17, 22-25.** We are to serve one another humbly and in love.

- a. How has someone served you out of love for you and not for his or her own personal gain?
- b. How do you walk by the Spirit in your everyday life? What does this look like lived out?
- c. Read through the fruit of the Spirit in v. 22-23. Which of these in this list most describes you and which of these least describes your life right now? Why?

## **Application:**

1. Which kingdom characterizes your life and relationships the most right now? Why do you say that?
2. What concrete action steps do you need to take to live more in step with the Spirit each day rather than living according to your natural fleshly desires?

## **Pray:**

Pray for each person in your group and their various requests. Pray that each of us would live in step with the Spirit daily rather than living out of the desires of our sinful flesh.