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SPIRIT ■ tug

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For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature.

They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

Galatians 5:16-18

Looking back _____

In answer to your inquiry, I consider that the chief dangers which confront the coming century will be:

religion without the Holy Ghost,
Christianity without Christ,
forgiveness without repentance,
salvation without regeneration,
politics without God,
and heaven without hell.”

General William Booth
founder of the Salvation Army 1901

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I may be a touch **Syncretistic**
the union (or attempted fusion) of different systems of thought or belief (especially in religion)

Gnosticism:
mysticism, esoteric wisdom, Judaism, Christianity

Cultural Christianity: no pain, no gain, nor real relationship, no sense of calling

the TUG of the Spirit

towards relationship with Christ

towards relationship with other Christ followers

towards others, 'in the name of Jesus'

with more power of God
signs, wonders, and gifting

the TUG of the flesh

less Christ in everyday life

less relationship with Christ followers

towards others in common

no expectation of the miraculous

Where is God tugging you?

away from flesh and into Spirit
away from complacency into commitment
away from falsehood into honesty
away from comfort into intensity
away from MINE into THINE