

**Message Study Guide**

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on [thorncreek.church/live](http://thorncreek.church/live))

**Warming up**

1. Who is your favorite superhero, and why?

**Digging Deeper & Application**

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. There is a famous quote in the Spiderman movie which says, "With great power comes great responsibility." Have you found that quote to be true in your own life?
3. What are some things that God has entrusted under your care? (Spouse, children, job, house, wealth, friendships, etc.)
4. According to Luke 12:48, what happens as we are entrusted with more? Please explain how you have seen that to be true in your life.
5. Sin has a tendency to start with something small, but it can quickly grow and take over your life. Why do you think people allow sin to have such a negative impact on their life?
6. What can you be doing now to protect yourself from allowing sin to creep into your life?
7. Read John 10:10. Who is the "Thief" in this passage? Has Satan ever stolen, killed, or destroyed anything in your life?
8. Read Romans 8:5-8. What does the "flesh" represent? What does the "Spirit" represent?
9. Is it easier for you to live by your flesh, or live by the spirit? Why?

10. What advice would you give to someone who is living by their flesh because they don't know how to live by the Spirit?
  
11. Why should we choose to live by the spirit?
  
12. How would you summarize verses 7 and 8 in your own words?
  
13. Read Romans 7:14-25. Can you relate with verse 15? If so, please explain an example.

**Application**

Below are the promises that God gave Josiah through is life. Discuss how they apply to your life.

- God has not abandoned you, and is waiting for you to run into His arms.
- It is much more difficult to resist the temptation and follow Jesus.
- "God will test us — but God will not tempt us. God tests us to make us stand. Satan tempts us to make us fall." - Adrian Rogers
- "There is no battle that you cannot win, no temptation you cannot overcome, no challenge you cannot conquer because Jesus is GREATER!"