



Discussion  
Gu'ide

“THE ROT IN INTOXICATION”  
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WHEN WE ALLOW INTOXICATION IN OUR LIVES,  
IT ROTTS OUR ABILITY TO LET THE HOLY SPIRIT CONTROL US

## The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- We're going to *open* by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

## The Reminder (required)

Read this section briefly to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:  
**When We Allow Intoxication in Our Lives,  
It Rotts Our Ability to Let the Holy Spirit Control Us**
- This Week's Object Lesson:  
**remote control cars & drones**
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: **Galatians 5:19-21**  
***The result of sin's control in our lives is clear.  
...It gets drunk and takes part in wild parties. (v. 21, NIRV)***

## The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- Have you used an R/C car or drone? Any related stories of interest?
- Read Ephesians 5:17-18. What does Paul compare drunkenness to? Why does he make that comparison? How are they related?
- We're going to use this week to reflect on all that God has taught us over the *Rotten* series. Read these weekly summaries/object lessons:
  - *Misguided Sex Rots Our Ability to Experience Intimacy* [duct tape]
  - *Everyday Idolatry Rots Our Ability to See God* [solar eclipse]
  - *Hatred Rots Our Ability to Understand Forgiveness* [football terms]
  - *Jealousy Rots Our Ability to Find Contentment* [landscaping]
  - *Anger Rots Our Ability to See Clearly* [strike anywhere vs. safety matches]
  - *Selfishness Rots Our Ability to Be Christ-Like* [running for office]
  - *Division Rots Our Ability to Be the Church* [tree roots]
  - *Intoxication Rots Our Ability to Let the Holy Spirit Control Us* [R/C car]
- Which week was the most encouraging? Why?
- Which week was the most challenging? Why?
- Which week made the biggest impact? Why?
- Which ONE week do you need to work on the most? Why?
- Have everyone open Galatians 5 and have someone read v.16-18.
- Now have someone read v.19-21. This was the *Rotten* series [above].
- Now have someone read v.22-23. This was the *Fruit* series [2018].
  - For each "fruit" in this passage (9 total), explain what this looks like.
  - Take time to silently reflect: do you see these in *your* life...really?
- Finally, have someone read v.24-25. For sin in our life we need to:
  - *Admit It:* Silently confess to Jesus the sin from this series in your life.
  - *Kill It:* Pray silently, asking God to help you kill this rot in your life.
  - *Leave It:* Now pray & ask, "God, what do YOU want for me in this area of my life?" Silently listen to what God may be saying to you.
- After some time of silent reflection, ask: Is there something that we can do to help you, pray for you, or hold you accountable to what God showed you?

**Green Questions:** Have a few people answer these, then GO! to the next question

**Red Questions:** STOP! on these and take time to have many people discuss