## THE BEGINNER'S CUDDE TO PREDICTING YOUR = FUTURE

#### APPEALING IS REVEALING

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## It lost its appeal.



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The path to be avoided is always paved with strong emotional appeal.



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## Lower our defenses.

## Raise our defensiveness.



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If you're distracted by what's on the path, you will opt for appealing over satisfying.



*You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free* 



#### Galatians 5: 13-14 NIV

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You, my brothers and <u>sisters</u>, were called to be free But do not use your freedom to indulge in the flesh; rather serve one another humbly in love. *"For the entire law (613 rules) is fulfilled in keeping* this one command (rule): "Love your neighbor as yourself." Galatians 5: 13-14 NIV

#### "So I say, walk by the Spirit,

#### Galatians 5: 16-17 NIV



"So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 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. Galatians 5: 16-17 NIV



Strong emotional appeal is a red flag, not a green light.



## But if you are led by the Spirit you are not under the law Galatians 5: 18 NIV



## What does love require of me?



The acts of the flesh are obvious: ✓ Sexual immorality ✓ Selfish ambition (selfishness) ✓ Envy (Jealousy) ✓ Discord (Fits of Rage) I warn you as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. Galatians 5: 19-21 NIV

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Galatians 5: 22-23 NIV



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### JESUS' LOVE LAW

### One law (rule)

## No regrets



## Are you living your life in the wrong direction?

## Is there a way back?

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## **INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS**

Choose satisfying over appealing.

What would love require of me?

Say yes to the Holy Spirit's nudge.

