

***Be Filled
With
The Spirit***

Ephesians 5:14-21

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14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,

16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

Ephesians 5:14-21 - continued

19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

Introduction

A. What is the filling of the Holy Spirit? (v 18)

- 1. To be filled with the Spirit is to be influenced by the Spirit**
- 2. When one is filled he gives the Holy Spirit complete control**

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B. What happens when one is filled with the Spirit?

1. Church and family life are affected (5:19-21)

2. The fruit of the Spirit is evident

3. One becomes bold in witnessing

Acts 4:31, 33

31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

Introduction

B. What happens when one is filled with the Spirit? (continued)

4. One has great generosity toward those in need

Acts 4:32

And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

Proverbs 11:25

The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.

I. Grieve Not The Spirit

Ephesians 4:30

And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

I. Grieve Not The Spirit

A. God can be grieved

1. God was grieved before the flood

Genesis 6:6

And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

2. God was grieved with grumbling Israelites

Psalm 95:10

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways:

I. Grieve Not The Spirit

A. God can be grieved - continued

3. Jesus would be acquainted with grief

Isaiah 53:3

He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

4. Jesus wept over Jerusalem and at a grave

Luke 19:41

And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,

I. Grieve Not The Spirit

B. What is it that grieves the heart of God?

Ephesians 4:31

**Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour,
and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all
malice:**

II. Quench Not The Spirit

1 Thessalonians 5:19

Quench not the Spirit.

A. Five ways to quench the Spirit

1. Stifle or suppress His work in you

2. Halt His work in your heart

3. Resist Him

4. Exalt your will above the will of God

5. Tune Him out

II. Quench Not The Spirit

B. When you stop quenching the Spirit wonderful things will happen

1. Doors will open

Revelation 3:8

I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

II. Quench Not The Spirit

B. When you stop quenching the Spirit wonderful things will happen (continued)

2. You will have peace of mind

Romans 15:13

Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

Philippians 4:7

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

II. Quench Not The Spirit

B. When you stop quenching the Spirit wonderful things will happen (continued)

3. You will experience the work of the Comforter

John 14:12

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

III. Walk In The Spirit

Galatians 5:16

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

A. Walking speaks of freedom

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

III. Walk In The Spirit

B. Walking speaks of faith

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith, not by sight:

1. Walking when you could not walk before

Acts 14:9-10

9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

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B. Walking speaks of faith - continued

2. Walking where you could not walk before

Matthew 14:28

And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.

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C. To walk in the Spirit is to take by faith that God has granted His filling and proceed accordingly

Romans 13:13-14

13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

Are You Grieving Or Quenching The Holy Spirit?

Take His Filling By Faith

It Is Your Decision Alone