

Ephesians #18 – 5:17-20

Spirit Filled

Review:

The second half of the book- Focused on “**A worthy walk**” – practical theology...

We continue –

Today... We continue looking at the outward result of our relationship with Jesus our “walk”

Walk... worthy. 4:1

Walk in love

Walk as light

Walk circumspectly

Last Week:

Evil days

Redeem the time

86,400

That is the number of seconds that we have been given every day of our lives.

How do we “spend” or invest every second wisely?

Understand the will of the Lord

How? Our text – How. Application of truths revealed in other places –

Caution – Acts 1 –

4. And, being assembled together with them, commanded them **that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father,** which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

5. ...ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

Galatians

5:16 **Walk in the Spirit,** and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

5:25 - If we **live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.**

Romans

8:1 - ... **who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.**

8:4 - ... walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

We fail oftentimes because we - Miss! Misunderstand! Misapply!

I. Caution.

Context

Culture

- Ephesus
- Rome

Control

We will be controlled by something.

Whatever the current, it will flow to disaster/debauchery

II. The Command: We have a choice because of Jesus!

#1 – It is imperative. A Command.

#2 – It is passive. “It is done for us”

#3 – It is essential.

A. Dangers

- Missing it.
- Misinterpreting
- Misapplying

B. Salvation

John 3 – *“That which is born of Spirit is spirit”*

Romans 8:9 – *“If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.”*

Ephesians – Every chapter –

1:12-14

2:18

3:16-21

4:30

Possession: You have the Spirit of the living God living in you!

Genesis 1:1- 2 - *“And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”*

Creation!

Ephesians 2:10- *“Created in Christ Jesus”* – A New Creation – Jesus in You!

You have the Spirit of God. He is a permanent, personal, powerful possession!

- Access
- Abundance
- Enabling

C. **Be filled with the Spirit who dwells within you.** Be filled with God. Be filled with Jesus!"

1. Seek

- When we yield to any external control or influence, it is a decision. We in our minds reach for it...
- We must be aware of, desire and reach for His presence!

2. See

3. Surrender

III. Characteristics – Consequences of being filled with His Spirit

TRANSFORMATION!

A. *"Speaking to yourselves"* – Either/Or

Self-talk.

Family talk.

Psalms, Hymns, Spiritual Songs

B. *"Singing and making melody in your hearts"*

Music of the heart

How is your song?

He gives a new song!!

C. *"Giving thanks always for all things"*!