

## I'll be a Witness Series/Pivoting the Calling

### Part 10: Radical Love in Tough Times Part 2

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#### Ephesians 5:18–21

<sup>18</sup> And don't get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless living, but **be filled by the Spirit**: <sup>19</sup> speaking to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making music with your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> **submitting yourselves** to one another in reverence for the Lord.

Meaning of: “**filled by the Spirit**”

-to be continually under the influence (control) of God, the Holy Spirit

Meaning of: “**submitting yourselves**”

-Military term meaning to **voluntarily** place yourself under someone else's authority or importance.

-To prioritize someone's **NEEDS** higher than your **RIGHTS**.

#### Philippians 2::3-4 CSB

<sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Everyone should look not to his own interests, but rather to the interests of others.

## JESUS MODELS SUBMISSION

#### John 13:12-15 NIV

<sup>12</sup> When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” Jesus asked them. <sup>13</sup> “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> **I have set you an example that you should do [just] as I have done for you.**

#### II Peter 1:3a NLT

By his divine power, God **has given** us [absolutely] everything we need for living a godly life...

#### Luke 11:13 NIV

So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give **the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.**”

### **I John 5:14-15 CSB**

*<sup>14</sup> This is the confidence we have before him: If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. <sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears whatever we ask [according to his will], we know that we have what we have asked of him.*

## **TAKE IN THE WORD OF GOD**

### **John 6:63 NKJV**

*<sup>63</sup> [Jesus said] It is the Spirit who gives life... The words that I speak to you are **spirit**, and they are life.*

### **John 17:17 GWT**

*[Jesus prayed to the Father] Use the truth to make them holy. Your words are truth.*

## **PAUL'S PRAYER**

### **Ephesians 3:16-19 NLT (adapted)**

*<sup>16</sup> I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. <sup>17</sup> Then Christ will make his home in your hearts **as you trust in him**. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. <sup>18</sup> And may you have the power to understand, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. <sup>19</sup> May you [know] the love of Christ, though it is too great to fully understand. ***Then you will be [filled] with all the fullness...and power that comes from God.****