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 Luke 3:21-22 & 4:1-2a & 14, Matt 12:18, Acts 1:1-2.
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 #1 Para (alongside) John 14:16-17.

 #2 En (in) 1 Corinthians 3:16, Romans 8:9-11.

 #3a Epi (upon) Luke 24:29, Acts 1:8, 2:3,17.

 #3b Baptism w/ the Holy Spirit Acts 1:5, 2:1-4.

 #3c Filled w/ the Holy Spirit Acts 1:4, 2:4, Eph 5:18.
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- Step #1 A person must be born again.
 John 3:16, 1 Corinthians 3:16, Romans 8:9-11.
- **Step #2** We may need to ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Luke 11:13, James 4:2.
- Step #3 We need to ask with the right motives. Isaiah 43:7, James 4:3.
- Step #4 We need to be humble. James 4:6, 1 Peter 5:5.
- **Step #5** We need to believe (faith) God wants to do it. Hebrews 11:6, James 1:5-7.
- Step #6 We need to submit/surrender to the Holy Spirit as much as we can as an alcoholic does to alcohol. Ephesians 5:15-18 (v.18 is the KEY verse to being filled).

How does an Alcoholic submit to alcohol?

- #1 They submit or surrender to the alcohol each and every day. In fact, they submit various times during each day.
- #2 They submit to the alcohol on a regular basis, willingly. It doesn't seem like it at times, but they can stop.
- #3 They submit to it despite the fact some people will think they're fools for doing it. This speaks to the depth of the need.
- #4 They submit thinking they can NOT get by that day without the alcohol.
- #5 They go no serious length of time without submitting to it.
- #6 The more they submit to the alcohol, the more it takes control or power over the person.
- **Question:** Now, can we apply these points to our spiritual addiction to the Holy Spirit?