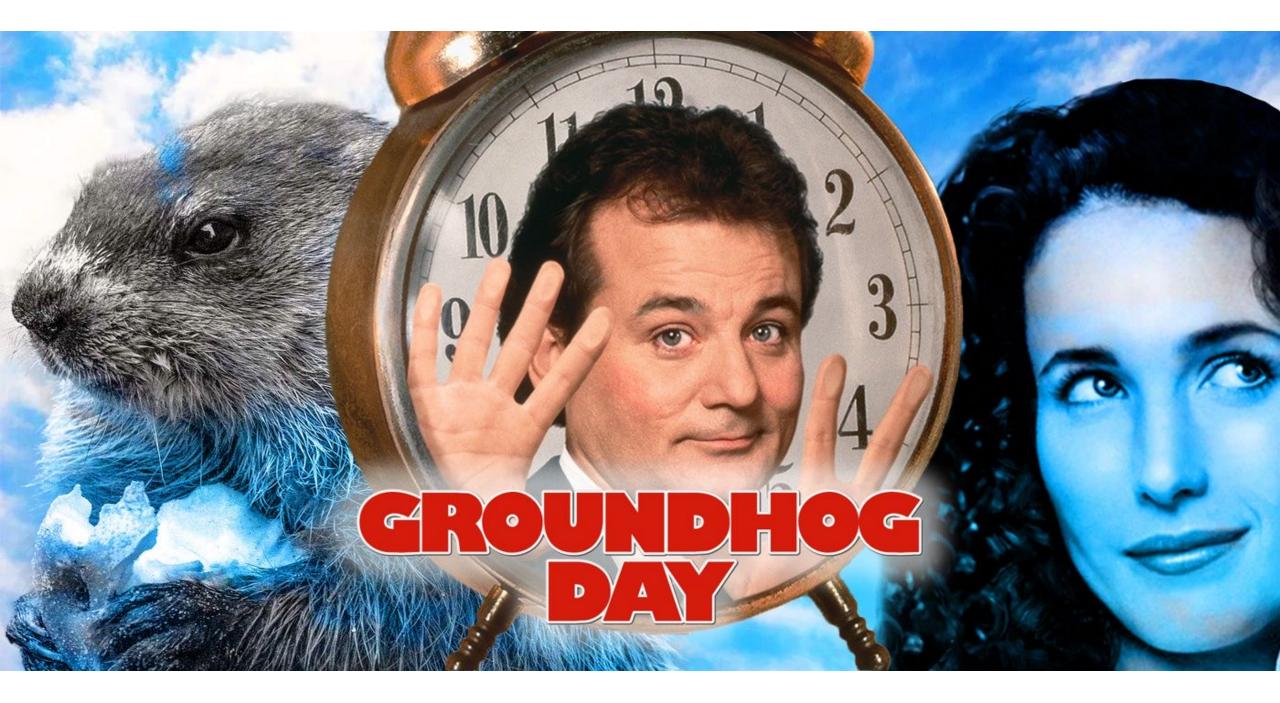
SEEKINGHIM

OF PERSONAL REVIVAL



Ephesians 5:18-21

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Big Idea

We don't have to live the same day over and over again because God has provided us the power to change by being filled with His Spirit.

What does it mean to be Spirit-filled?

Holy Spirit 101

1. The Holy Spirit is a Person; not an impersonal force (John 15:26; Matt. 28:19) 2. The Holy Spirit is fully God, co-equal with Jesus and the Father (2 Cor. 3:17-18) 3. The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin (John 16:8-10) 4. The Holy Spirit is active in spiritual regeneration / new birth (John 3:1-7)

Holy Spirit 101

5.The Holy Spirit indwells every Christian (Rom. 8:9)
6.The Holy Spirit baptizes every Christian into the Body of Christ (1 Cor. 12:13)
7.The Holy Spirit seals us and acts as a guarantee of our inheritance (Eph. 1:13-14)

Holy Spirit 101

- The Holy Spirit helps us understand spiritual truth (John 14:26; 1 Cor. 2:10-15)
- 9. The Holy Spirit empowers us to be a witness for Christ (Acts 1:8)
- 10. The Holy Spirit leads, guides, comforts, and intercedes for us (John 14; Rom. 8)

"Do you know, my friends, that the Spirit within you is very God? Oh that our eyes were opened to see the greatness of God's gift! Oh that we might realize the vastness of the resources secreted in our own hearts! I could shout with joy as I think, "The Spirit who dwells within me is no mere influence, but a living Person; He is very God. The infinite God is within my heart!" I am at a loss to convey to you the blessedness of this discovery, that the Holy Spirit dwelling within my heart is a Person."

~ Watchman Nee, <u>The Normal Christian Life</u>

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Key Principle

To be filled with the Spirit means that we yield to His influence.

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To be filled with the Spirit means that we find our strength and joy in Him.

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How Can We Be Filled with the Spirit?

Ephesians 5:15-17

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but **understand what the will of the** Lord is.

How to be filled with the Spirit

1. Recognize this is God's will for you

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

God's Spirit & God's Word

- Both the Spirit (Jn. 14:26) & the Word (Ps. 119) teach us truth about God
- Both the Spirit (Jn. 16:8-10) & the Word (Heb. 4:12) <u>convicts</u> of sin
- Both the Spirit (Rom. 8:14) & the Word (Ps. 119:105) guides us.
- Both the Spirit (Acts 1:8) & the Word (2 Timothy 3:16) equips/empowers us for ministry
- Both the Spirit (Jn. 16:5-7) & the Word (119:50) <u>comforts</u> us.

How to be filled with the Spirit

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How to be filled with the Spirit

- Recognize this is God's will for you 1. 2. Fill ourselves with the living & abiding Word of God
- 3. Act in faith

Galatians 3:1-3

O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

Galatians 3:4-5

Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain? *Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you* do so by works of the law, or *by hearing with faith*...

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace *as you trust in him,* so that you may overflow with hope *by the power of the Holy Spirit*.

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