



The Fullness of the Spirit

Ephesians 5:15-21

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. (5:15-21)

1. **THERE IS A FULLNESS OF** _____
(Colossians 3:16, Proverbs 23:29-35, Galatians 5:22, 23; 2 Timothy 1:7, Acts 2:13, 1 Corinthians 12:13-14; 2:16, Jeremiah 2:13b, John 4:14, John 7:37, 38, Revelation 22:17)
2. **THERE IS FULLNESS IN** _____
(Romans 1:21)
3. **THERE IS FULLNESS IN** _____
(John 13:14-16, Philippians 2:3 and 2 Corinthians 4:5, Revelation 22:17, Genesis 2:24)

Are we filled with the Spirit? Is there music in our souls? Is there thankfulness and praise? Is there submission in our lives? Do we want to be so filled? If so, there are several points we need to understand about the call to "be filled with the Holy Spirit."

- a. It is a _____, not a suggestion
- b. It is a _____ to the whole Church
- c. It is a _____ command
- d. It is a _____ command

ON THE ISSUE OF MARRIAGE

1. _____ **LOVE**
 - a. *Is self-giving*
 - b. *Is prayerful*
 - c. *Is attentive*
 - d. *Is faithful*



2. _____ LOVE

- a. *The Hebrew picture*
- b. *The prophetic picture*
- c. *The marital picture*

3. _____ LOVE
(Leviticus 19:18)

Group Discussion:

▪ Start It Out

Have you ever tried to grow something? What was your experience? To what did you pay attention? How would you describe the experience?

▪ Talk It Out

- a. What are the beneficial results of being filled with the Holy Spirit (Look at vs.19-21)?
- b. Why do you think it would be necessary to be filled with the Holy Spirit in order to submit to one another?
- c. What is Paul saying to you in his drunkenness illustration? Could anyone accuse you of being “under the influence” of the Holy Spirit?
- d. What does Paul want those who feel trapped in the filth of a sex-mad world to do (Look at vs.19-20)?

▪ Walk It Out

Put yourself in the Bible Study today. What new thing did you discover in the story? What did you learn about God? What did you learn about people? What will you take away from this discussion? What will you do with what you have learned?