

Ephesians 5.15-21

1. Don't be Drunk with wine (5.18) ... Lead to debauchery (Greek "asotia" – a wild and undisciplined life on the road to ruin.)

"All things are lawful, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful, but not all things edify."

(1 Corinthians 10:23, NASB95)

2. Be filled with the Holy Spirit (18b)

"But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh." (Galatians 5:16, NASB95)

"Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption."

(Ephesians 4:30, NASB95)

When the church was filled with the Spirit, as Promised by Jesus

John 14.16-19 *"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you. "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.*

"After a little while the world will no longer see Me, but you will see Me; because I live, you will live also."

(John 14:16–19, NASB95)

Luke 24.49 *"And behold, I am sending forth the promise of My Father upon you; but you are to stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."* (Luke 24:49, NASB95)

Acts 2 *"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues."*

3. Ephesians 5.19 *"speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord;"* (Ephesians 5:19, NASB95)

4. *"always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father;"* (Ephesians 5:20, NASB95)

"Blessed is he who expects nothing for he shall enjoy everything." St. Francis of Assisi

5. *"and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ."* (Ephesians 5:21, NASB95)

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1. Read Ephesians 5.15-21

2. Instead of being controlled and influenced while being drunk, we are to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Have you ever prayed to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Many who ask this are “baptized in the Spirit”, just like in Acts 2.4. This is the Spirit that is within us releasing and the manifestation is praying in tongues, a supernatural gift still for today.

3. Do you ask God to daily fill you with the Holy Spirit? Why or why not.

4. Read Acts 1.8. What did Jesus say would happen when the early church was baptized in the Holy Spirit?

5. Do you struggle with spiritual power and boldness in your life. Would asking God, receiving, and being baptized in the Holy Spirit empower you? What struggles could be over? What victories could be won?

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6. Worship with singing and music with your church family and alone seems to be a key to being filled with the Spirit. Do you engage Jesus Christ intentionally in worship? Have you ever lifted your hands and closed your eyes and focused on His goodness? Why or why not?

7. If this was true for the new church in the first century, is it wise to ignore this and consider worship with song and music something optional? Of course not. Take time right now, alone, to turn on some worship music (Pastor Nate shares his playlists on Spotify), raise your hands and sing, or at least hum, and be thankful.

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8. Make a list of things this week you can be grateful and thankful for

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