



## Sermon-Based GC Discussion Questions

**4/19/2026**

***Title of Sermon: That's A Lot of INGs***

***Main Point of Sermon:*** Christians are called to be filled with the Spirit, and expressing that fullness through addressing one another in worshipful speech, making melody to the Lord in their hearts, and continually giving thanks to God through Jesus Christ.

***Launching Question:***

- Can you share a recent moment where gratitude changed your perspective, even in a small way?
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***Primary Scripture:*** Ephesians 5:18-20

***Discussion Questions:***

1. What were the spiritual, cultural, and religious dynamics present at the time Paul wrote the letter to the Ephesians?
2. How do those spiritual dynamics compare with what we experience in our culture today?
3. How does Ephesians 5:1–18 prepare or set the foundation for what Paul says in verses 19–20?
4. Why do you think Paul transitions from instructions on personal Christian living to guidance on how believers interact with one another?
5. Why is it important that Paul emphasizes addressing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs?
6. In practical terms, how can we use the language, imagery, and themes of Scripture to encourage, teach, and lovingly correct one another when we gather?



7. How does imitating Jesus and walking in love, light, and wisdom shape the way we speak to and treat others?
  
8. What is the relationship between internal (personal) worship and communal (corporate) worship? How does one influence the other?
  
9. If your current “melody to the Lord” were expressed musically, would it reflect joy, contentment, and hope, or discouragement, defeat, and discontentment? What might be influencing that melody?
  
10. What does it look like to give thanks to God always and in everything, especially during seasons of hardship or suffering?
  
11. What is the difference between a Spirit-filled life and a world-filled life, and how do those differences affect your relationship with God and with others?
  
12. Since Paul introduces verse 19 with “be filled with the Spirit,” how essential is a Spirit-filled life to the way we address one another, make melody in our hearts to the Lord, and give thanks to God?