

HOW TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, Pt. 2

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Living Out Our Inheritance In Christ, Part 21

MAIN IDEA: Since we will fill ourselves up with something, it's important to stay continually filled with God's best, His Holy Spirit. Today, what it means to be continually filled with the Holy Spirit.

¹⁸ And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, **Ephesians 5:18** ESV

We need to be continually filled... **BE BEING FILLED**

- ^a **Saved-Filled** (Eph. 1:13-14; 2 Cor. 1:22; 1 Cor. 2:12)
- ^b **Empower-Immersion** (baptized) (Acts 1:8, 2:4)
- ^c **Anointing-filling** (Acts 4:8; 13:9; 7:55) (+**Gifts**, encounters)
- ^d **Continuous normative** (Eph. 5; Acts 13:52)

¹⁹ *speaking* to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, *singing* and *making melody* to the Lord with your heart, ²⁰ *giving thanks* always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ *submitting* to one another out of reverence for Christ.

SPEAKING TO one another in psalms, hymns, spiritual songs

1. The Spirit will fill us as we **SPEAK TO EACH OTHER** the things of God (Psalm 22:22; Hebrews 2:12)

ANOTHER DIMENSION: "*Speaking to yourselves.*" (KJV)... self-talk with the Scriptures. (Psalm 42-43; 103; 1 Sam. 30:6)

SINGING... PRAISING (Ps. 22:3; 34:1; 2 Chr. 20:22; Heb. 13:15)

2. The Spirit will fill us as we begin to **PRAISE HIM ALOUD.**

MAKING MELODY TO THE LORD with your heart

3. The Spirit will fill us as we **DIRECT OUR HEARTS IN SONG** to Him.

My heart is stirred by a noble theme... **Psalm 45:1**

GIVING THANKS... always, for everything

4. The Spirit will fill us as we get our **THANKER** going.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. **Psalm 100:4**

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. **1 Thessalonians 5:18** (Phil. 4:4-7)

SUBMITTING TO EACH OTHER out of Fear of Christ.

5. The Spirit will fill us as we **HUMBLY SUBMIT** with a devotional and reverential eye on Jesus.

Submit: Rom. 13:1-2; Heb. 13:17; Mt. 8:5-13

Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. **Ps 2:11**

Psalm 22:23 You who fear the Lord, praise him! (Prov. 14:26-27; 1 Pet. 1:17; 2:13-14; Luke 12:4-5)

6. The Spirit will fill us as we seek and find Jesus **IN THE WORD.**

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. **Colossians 3:16** ESV

7. The Spirit will fill us as we **PRAY IN THE SPIRIT.**

² For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to people but to God... ⁴ Anyone who speaks in a tongue edifies themselves... ⁵ I would like every one of you to speak in tongues... ¹⁵ I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my understanding; I will sing with my spirit, but I will also sing with my understanding. **1 Cor. 14:2, 4-5, 15** (Eph. 6:18)

Jesus loves you & is reaching out to you today. He wants you to open the door to your heart and invite Him in. Here's a prayer to help you make this connection with Him.

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins. I turn from my sins to you. I now invite You to come into my heart and life. I trust you and want to follow You as Lord and Savior In Your name. Amen.

If you prayed this prayer for the first time today, would you please let us know by filling out a Lifeline card and dropping it in the Offering Box? Thanks so much.