

# BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

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## We are to

### 1. Walk by the Spirit

Gal 5:16 walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh (Gal 5:25; Rom 8:4)

### 2. Live by the Spirit

Gal 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

### 3. Set your mind on the Spirit

Rom 8:5-6 For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace,

### 4. Be filled with the Spirit

Eph 5:18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit,

“Be filled with the Spirit” is an apostolic command. The present tense of the verb implies the need to be regularly filled and re-filled with the Spirit. To be filled with the Holy Spirit is to be energized and controlled by the Holy Spirit in such a way that under the acknowledged lordship of Jesus Christ the full presence and power of God are experienced. Spirit-filling leads to renewal, obedience, boldness in testimony and an arresting quality in believers’ lives. (from Dictionary of Bible Themes)

## Characteristics (fruit) of the Spirit-filled life

### 1. Ability - (the requirement of the Law fulfilled in us)

Rom 8:4 so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. (Rom 8:4-6)

### 2. The Nine fruit(s) of the Spirit:

Gal 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

(1) **Love**

(2) **Joy**

(3) **Peace**

(4) **Patience**

(5) **Kindness**

(6) **Goodness**

(7) **Faithfulness**

(8) **Gentleness**

(9) **Self-control**

### (10) Such things:

**Hope** - Rom 15:13 ... so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Purity** - 2Cor 6:6 in purity, ... in the Holy Spirit, in genuine love,

**Freedom** - 2Cor 3:17 ... where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty (Rom 7:6; Gal 5:1)

**Bold witness** - Ac 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness.

**Glory** - 1Pt 4:14 the Spirit of glory rests on you (2Cor 3:8)

### 3. The Spirit can be:

Quenched - 1Thes 5:19

Grieved - Eph 4:30

Resisted - Ac 7:51

## Ways to be filled with the Spirit

### 1. Laying on of hands in the New Testament

For blessing (Mt 19:13-15)

For healing (Mk 16:18; Ac 5:12, 14:1-3, 19:11-12, 28:8)

To receive the Holy Spirit (Ac 8:9-24, 9:17, 19:1-7)

To receive spiritual gifts (1Tim 4:14; 2Tim 1:6)

### 2. Repentance;

Ac 2:38 Peter said to them, "Repent ..." (Ac 5:32)

### 3. Ask

Luke 11:9-13 "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it will be opened. ... how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?"

### 4. Believe

Gal 3:13-14 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us--for it is written, "cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"-- in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

### 5. Relax; rest, peace

Isa 63:14b... The Spirit of the LORD gave them rest ...(Rom 15:13; Col 3:13-14; )

Heb 4:1-3 ... while a promise remains of entering His rest, ... For we who have believed enter that rest, ... (1Cor 2:4-5)

### 6. Breathe

Gen 2:7 Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being. (Gen 6:17; 7:22; Ps 146:4; Isa 42:5)

Lk 23:46 And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT." Having said this, He breathed His last. (Mk 15:37-39)

Jn 20:21-22 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

### 7. Thankfulness, gratefulness, giving thanks

Col 3:15b-16 ... and be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. (Eph 5:20)

### 8. Worship, singing Psalms, hymns, spiritual songs

Eph 5:18-20 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; (Col 3:16; Ac 16:25-26)

### 9. Prayer, pray in the spirit

1Cor 14:4 One who speaks in a tongue edifies himself; (1Cor 14:14; Jude 20; Rom 8:26-27)

### 10. Confession:

**Negative** - Confess sins (anxiety, fear, anger, unbelief) to one another.

Jas 5:16 Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. (1Jn 1:9)

**Positive** – Confess (proclaim) the truths of God's Word

Rom 10:8-10 But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART"--that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, 9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; 10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

#### **11. Taking off and putting on**

Rom 13:12b .. let us lay aside the deeds of darkness ... (Rom 6:5-7; Col 3:9-10)

Rom 13:14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ (Gal 3:27; Col 3:12-14)

Eph 4:22-24 that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, 23 and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

#### **12. Set your mind** (Think on these things)

Rom 8:5-6 For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace,

Phil 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things .

#### **13. Building yourself up through Scriptures**

1Pt 2:2 ... long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, Eph 6:17 take up the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God

#### **14. Mutual edification and encouragement**

1 Co 14:26 What is the outcome then, brethren? When you assemble, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification.

Eph 4:16 ... according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

#### **15. Practicing the "One another" list:**

1. Love one another (Jn 13:34-35; 15:12, 17; 1Jn 3:11, 23; 4:7, 11, 12; 2Jn 5; Rom 13:8)
2. Accept one another (Rom 15:7)
3. Admonish one another (Rom 15:14)
4. Greet one another [with a holy kiss] (Rom 16:16; 1Cor 16:20; 2Cor 13:12; 1Pt 5:14).
5. Wait for one another, when you eat together (1Cor 11:33)
6. Care for one another (1Cor 12:25)
7. Serve one another (Gal 5:13; 1Pt 4:10)
8. Show tolerance for one another (Eph 4:2)
9. Forgive one another (Eph 4:32; Col 3:12-13)
10. Speak and sing to one another with words filled with the Spirit (Eph 5:18-19; Col 3:16)
11. Submit to one another (Eph 5:21)
12. Bear with one another (Col 3:12-13)
13. Admonish one another (Col 3:16)
14. Comfort one another (1Thes 4:18)
15. Live in peace with one another (1Thes 5:13)
16. Seek after that which is good for one another (1Thes 5:15)
17. Encourage one another (Heb 3:13; 10:25)
18. Stimulate one another to love and good deeds (Heb 10:24)
19. Confess your sins to one another (Jas 5:16)

20. Pray for one another (Jas 5:16)
21. Fellowship with one another (1Jn 1:7)
22. Give preference to one another (Rom 12:10b)
23. Pursue the things which make for peace (Rom 14:19; Mk 9:50)
24. Pursue the things which build up one another (Rom 14:19; 1Thes 5:11)
25. Be hospitable (1Pt 4:9)
26. Be humble (1Pt 5:5)
27. Be Devoted (Rom 12:10a)
28. Be of the same mind (Rom 12:16)
29. Be of the same mind with one another (Rom 15:5; Phil 2:3)

**16. Acts of service**

Gal 5:13-16 For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 14 For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF." 15 But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. 16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. (1Pt 4:10)