

The Baptism in The Holy Spirit Spring Bible Study Series

“Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit”
Ephesians 5:18

Vision: Abundant Life Church lives in the fullness of The Holy Spirit! We unlock the treasury of Scripture to develop a hunger for Spiritual realities through Biblical education and application.

Mission: To experience fellowship with the Father as we grow along the continuum beginning with an introduction to the persons of the Godhead through prayer; knowing, hearing, obeying the voice of the Lord in Prayer; discerning His voice from ours, the culture, and others; to affecting internal and external change through effectual fervent prayer.

Week Focus: Creating A Spirit-Hungry Culture

Text: Matthew 5:6; Eph 5:18

Objectives:

1. To understand the necessity for The Holy Spirit's presence in our lives
2. To apply Bible truth to understand what it means to be filled with The Spirit

A. What does it mean to be filled with The Spirit? Acts 2:4; Acts 4:8; Acts 4:31

- G4130 Pimplemi- filled or supply
- Pimplemi in Luke 5:7 indicates filled to the full or overflowing

Here's 2 life examples.

Gas Station- a car cannot get very far without filling up with gas. Neither can we attempt to serve without the help of the Spirit.

Making Tea- Pastor Rich Villodas imparted this truth. There are 2 ways to make tea! Some people will heat the water and toss the bag in others will carefully dip the tea bag until the water reaches the desired color or potency. Most people are dippers, we dip in and out of the spirit for fear of it getting too potent in our lives. But we need to be continuously filled with the Spirit. Overflowing with all that the Spirit gives to believers!

Can you think of another example to remind us of our need for continuous filling.

B. To Be Filled is a Promise and A Command. What Scriptures back up this thought?

1. **Command- Ephesians 5:18** literally means “keep on being filled with the Spirit” Look at the context lets read v15-18. The writer is contrasting drunkenness. What do people go to alcohol for? For happy hour! Where do you turn when you are frightened or discouraged or depressed or anxious? Paul pleads “don't turn to alcohol turn to the Spirit!. Lets catch the revelation! Your think may not be alcohol! The writer goes on to say, “There are people who can't begin to whistle a happy tune or sing a song” essentially because life has overwhelmed.. “But later in the evening at the tavern with a few drinks under their belt they can put their arms around

each other and sing and laugh. All of us long to be carefree, uninhibited, happy. And the mounting tragedy or our own day, as in Paul's is that increasing numbers of people (even Christians) believe that the only way they can find this child-like freedom is by drugging themselves with alcohol or other mind-benders. Lets take inventory what is my mind-bender? Title, Accolades, my talent.... Let's TURN TO THE SPIRIT!

2. **Promise-** Matthew 3:11, Matthew 5:6, Luke 11:13, John 14, **Acts 1:4-5**

It is a promise of presence, protection, and provision. The HELPER!

Yes, God promised to send Him. But there are some things that the Spirit Promises to do for you as a believer!

a. God promises to abide(meno- tarry or not depart!) with us by the Spirit. 1 John 3:24. That's how God is with His people today through the Spirit!

b. God promises to give us understanding of truth- John 16:13

c. God promises to reveal His will, purposes, and plans- 1 Corinthians 2:9-11; John 16:14

C. What does it mean to be baptized in the Spirit? Acts 8:14-17

Baptizo means dipped repeatedly! John 1:33

G2983- Lambano- To Take, Apprehend, Catch, To Receive (to give access to one's life)!!!

Matthew 13:20- receive **Acts 2:38** Acts 19:1-6

Activity: Break up into groups and together make a list of Scriptures that we can use as Prayers points to help us yield more to the Spirit. At the end, we will come together and share. Write your list of Scriptures below: