



October 26, 2014

“How to Be Spirit Filled”
Ephesians 5:18-21 Part 6

Review vs. 16 –

1. 2 contrasts ... don't be drunk ... be filled.
 2. 2 commands ... don't be drunk ... be filled with the Holy Spirit.
 - Live in the conscious presence of Jesus (Peter).
 - Let the Word of Christ richly dwell in you (Colossians 3:16-4:1).
 - Walk step by step in the Spirit (Galatians 5:16-25).
 - Get the CDs and study it out!
 3. The CHARACTERISTICS of Spirit filled people – vs. 19-21.
 - A) Much singing – vs. 19, B) much thanksgiving – vs. 20, C) mutual submission – vs. 21
- A. Much singing – vs. 19
- The Spirit filled life produces song and music in the heart and soul of the true believer – he loves to worship God!
 - Worship began in heaven! Job 38:1-4
 - But who has more to sing about than us? Mercy, grace, forgiveness, salvation ... chosen ... adopted ... citizens of heaven ... heirs of God.
 - God has literally put a new song in our hearts ... the song of eternal redemption.
 - Psalms 144:9; 149:1-2
 - Isaiah 42:10
 - Revelation 14:3
 - But, perhaps most descriptively, Revelation 5:9-10
 - The NEW SONG is a song of redemption!
 - Stop and consider how God loves to hear His praise and worship ...
 - Job 38:1-4
 - Exodus 15:1ff
 - Judges 5
 - Of the 38,000 Levites who ministered at the temple, 4,000 were musicians or singers.
 - The Psalms

- Nehemiah C. 12
- The Last Supper
- Paul and Silas – Acts 16:31ff
- Worship is solely directed to the one true God! This is not about us ... it's solely about praising and worshipping God.

The example of Psalms 23 – judge a song by its words and its content.

- Does it proclaim the mighty PERSON and NATURE of God?
- Does it exalt our “Great God and Savior, Jesus Christ”?
- Does it extol His wonderful works throughout history? As well as in my own personal life?
- Does it magnify His mercy, grace, forgiveness, salvation in Christ?
- Does it speak of His past, present and future works? His second coming? His kingdom? Does it exhort us to be dressed in readiness?
- Does it speak of the wonderful comfort and peace we have in Christ?
- The wonder of heaven?
- We worship God for who He is, for all He has done, is doing and will do!
- Psalms 150:6 – “Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!” Praise the Lord (Hallelujah!)

This morning we have just laid the foundation of this great discussion!

SUGGESTED DEVOTIONAL READING

- Monday:** Read some awesome worship – Psalms 148, 149 & 150
- Tuesday:** Read some more – Psalms 136
- Wednesday:** And some more – 1 Chronicles 16:7-36
- Thursday:** Read some personal worship – Psalms 23 & 139
- Friday:** New Testament hymns – Colossians 1:15-23; Acts 4:24-26
- Saturday:** Memorize John 4:21-24

TABLE TALK

Read Psalms 148 and 150, and list all who can worship God ... all the places it will be done ... and what may be used to worship God.