

**WALKING IN THE SPIRIT
(Ephesians 5:18-21) pt 1**

I. Our Wealth In Christ (chp 1-3)

II. Our Walk In Christ! (4:1-6:9)

G. Walk In The _____ (5:18-21)

1. To begin with, it is helpful to know & understand _____! (1 Cor. 2:14-3:4)
 - a. The _____ man (1 Cor 2:14) (*psuchikos*) = *soulish* & refers to an _____!
 - b. The _____ man (1 Cor. 2:15-16)- (*pneumatikos*) = one who is _____ by the H.S. - This man is God's _____ man!
 - c. The _____ man (1 Cor. 3:1-4) - (*sarkikos*) meaning _____ or carnal in thinking – governed merely by the _____ & not by the H.S.
2. Along with these 3 kinds of men, we need to know of the _____ of the _____ in the world today, as they are _____.
 - a. The H.S. _____ Ministry includes:
 - 1) His _____ ministry (2 Thessalonians 2:6-8)
 - 2) His _____ or _____ ministry to a lost world (John 16:7-11)
 - b. The H.S. _____ Ministry includes:
 - 1) _____ (Titus 3:5; John 3:3-7) – He makes dead men _____ via the _____
 - 2) His _____ us (John 7:37-39, 14:16-17; Rom 8:9) – an outstanding feature of this present dispensation is the universal indwelling of _____ believer who _____ Christ!
 - 3) He _____ every believer into _____ (Acts 1:5; 1 Cor. 12:13) – this is our spiritual _____ - where the H.S. takes us from our former position in Adam, identifies us with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection and then _____ (places) us into Christ – _____!
 - 4) He _____ us ... till the day of _____ (Ephesians 1:13-14, 4:30)
 - This sealing work of the HS indicates 3 things: a _____ transaction, _____, & it implies _____!

5) He _____ us for service (Romans 12 & 1 Cor. 12)

- Spiritual gifts are the God given _____ (via the H.S.) to _____ the Lord & _____ in the body for the benefit of others & for the glory of God!

c. The H.S. _____ Ministry includes:

1) His _____ (Eph 5:18)

* What is the “filling of the Holy Spirit” in one’s Christian life?

- a. The filling of the Spirit may be defined as ... that spiritual _____ whereby the H.S. is _____ that He came to _____ in the heart & life of the believer!
 - b. The filling of the Spirit is not you acquiring _____ of the Spirit, but allowing the H.S. to acquire & control _____ of you!
 - c. It seems clear from what we have seen today, that a Christian can be _____ & be in Christ with _____ of its spiritual blessings, yet _____ with the H.S in their Christian life!
- What is the *difference* between the baptism of the Spirit & the filling of the Spirit?

Baptism

Filling

- What is God’s will here in Ephesians? (5:18a)

1) Negatively – “*It’s not to be _____ with wine, in which is _____!*”

“dissipation” (asotia)

- What does God say about wine?
- What does God say about drinking to excess?

Principle to remember: As one’s walk, talk, & orientation to life are influenced by drinking alcohol _____, so their walk, talk, & orientation to life will be influenced _____ by the H.S. control!

2) Positively – *It’s to “_____ with the Spirit”!*

“be filled” (pleroo)

Another principle: The filling of the Spirit is a _____ for the _____ function of _____ & _____ aspects of the “worthy” Christian walk!