



## Be Being Filled Up

*...understand what the Lord wants you to do. Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, let the Holy Spirit fill and control you. —Ephesians 5:17-18, nlt*

Are you lacking something, or better yet ..lacking Someone in your personal experience that makes your life alright? Please be immersed in the loving Spirit from above! Why not; what do you have to lose? Hey, it wasn't me who commanded that you and me be filled to overflowing with the Comforter. God is the One who wants you filled and empowered to serve and witness of His greatness! Yes and He kept it very simple for us saying, "be filled with the Spirit."

I'm sure that you already know how any pet sin, besetting sin, hidden sin—any unconfessed sin of any kind, or any hard-hearted resistance to God's supreme authority can impede the "flow" of His life within and through us. Man, we all must learn to deal with sin quickly, before it deals with us ..and puts us on the other side of the lawn. If we do not deal with it, then, our spiritual lives while here will basically become shipwrecked, stagnant, inverted, wasted. We will indeed lose our spiritual attractiveness in the Kingdom and our real usefulness for others. Perhaps you have walked with the Lord a long time, but lately you've noticed that you're lacking that joy and that unique refreshing that literally draws people to Jesus Christ. Hey, no prob, you can regain that first-love passion again as you get alone to draw close and to get real with Him. You are only a prayer of honest confession away from being fully revived inside. And the way you first experienced His filling is the same way you can be refilled up with the Spirit again. I don't care if you are a Baptist, a Methodist, a Catholic, a Pentecostal, a heathen.. I don't even care what you want to call it or not call this experience—you can personally know Jesus Christ and serve Him in power. Your life can be abundant, full and productive in a lasting way. Isn' that what God wants for all of us?

*Be filled with the Spirit. —niv*

*The Spirit has come and He is the source of power that we can receive. —Branon*

*You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me. —Acts 1:8*

*The power of Pentecost is not especially reserved for the highly gifted. Rather, it is available to all believers in Christ who want to serve Him. —Herbert Vander Lugt*

Is there anything at all hindering you from falling in love with Christ today? What is in the way of you being filled with the Holy Spirit? Don't be afraid of Him; He won't make you into someone who repels people away. Some friends might ditch you, but if they do, they were never real friends in the first place. Perhaps you wonder what all this means to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Well, it simply means to be under God's moment-by-moment control as He leads you. He knows what is best for us though. God, the Holy Spirit wants to invade every area in your life to rule without rival and you can trust Him with all those areas. Where He is Lord, there is a winsome liberty that doesn't make you go crazy! Religiosity is what makes people whacked. Yes, but decent self control is a by product of the Spirit. Don't you want to have right motives, a right human spirit that's alive, right thoughts, attitudes and actions? The amount of dynamic supernatural power that you will experience to live out a triumphant life in Jesus Christ is directly proportional to your willingness and the freedom you will give to the Spirit ...to literally be Lord of every area of your life! Want real victory? [Go for it!](#) Invite Him into that area He was once forbidden to enter. You won't regret it ever.

**Have a prayer request or questions about God's Spirit and how to properly walk in Him? At [fish4souls.org](http://fish4souls.org) click "[Contact](#)" and let us know! Perhaps we can help.**

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