

"Fill 'er Up"
Ephesians 5:18
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Five observations from our text:

#1. There seems to be a direct parallel drawn between being drunk with wine and being filled with the Spirit.

Question: What comparison can we make between wine
the Spirit?

Answer: Influence or control

#2. The phrase "to be filled with the Spirit" is a command.

#3. The phrase "to be filled with the Spirit" is in the present tense.

#4. The phrase "to be filled with the Spirit" is in the passive tense.

Two conclusions from this truth:

1. The Holy Spirit is ready and willing to fill us at any moment.

2. We must make ourselves available to Him.

#5. The phrase "to be filled with the Spirit" is a plural command.

What does it mean "to be filled with the Spirit"? It means to be under the influence and control of the Holy Spirit. It means that the Holy Spirit has controlling influence in your life.

What prevents the Holy Spirit from filling you? YOU

NOTE: Being filled with the Spirit does not mean I have more of the Spirit it means the Spirit has more of me.

Question: How are we filled with the Holy Spirit?

(Remember these two things):

1. Empty out

2. Open up