

Filled With The Spirit

Ephesians 5:15-21

Main Idea

We fulfill God's will by being filled with the Spirit.

- **Live for the Lord – v 15-17**
- God wants us to use time wisely (make the most of every opportunity).
- This requires us to walk with care and wisdom because:
 - People need the Jesus-light which Christians carry.
 - The world's current flows in _____ to Christ-centered living.
 - “Buy up” opportunities to:
 - Witness to nonbelievers – Colossians 4:5
 - Serve people (especially believers) – Galatians 6:10
- **Surrender to the Spirit – v 18-21**
- The Holy Spirit provides the true alternative to every counterfeit source of comfort, courage, or joy.
- The Holy Spirit empowers and leads us to live out God's will.
- When we are filled with the Spirit, we will:
 - Edify and encourage one another
 - Praise God from a joyful heart
 - Thank God in all things
 - Serve one another
- We get filled with the Spirit through _____ and Surrender.

Discussion

- Are there areas in your life where you could manage time more wisely? How so?
- What things tend to distract you from godly responsibilities (prayer, service, rest)?
- How can you seek and seize opportunities to witness to and serve people?
- Are there aspects of your life where you hesitate to surrender to the Spirit?
- How does being filled with the Spirit help us to make the best use of time?
- How does being filled with the Spirit help us know and do God's will?
- What questions do you have about the concept and practice of being filled with the Spirit?