

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND YOU

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PART 2

Our **MAIN PURSUIT** is to be filled with The Holy Spirit

Ephesians 5:15-20 - Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, **BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT**, ¹⁹ speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ always giving thanks to God the father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

30AD

1st—In 30AD the Christian Church is founded on the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem (Acts 2).

55AD

2nd—In approximately 55AD on Paul's 3rd Missionary journey, as recorded in Acts 19:1-6, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit comes to Ephesus.

62AD

3rd—In 62AD while in the Roman prison the first time, Paul writes to the Church at Ephesus, "**BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT!**"

Definition of Debauchery:

Debauchery is behavior considered excessively decadent, indulgent, and depraved. It's especially used to collectively refer to drug use, excessive drinking, promiscuous sex, and the kind of uninhibited activity that happens at wild parties. [dictionary.com](https://www.dictionary.com)

Luke 11:23-26 - Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

²⁴ When an impure spirit comes out of a person, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, "I will return to the house I left."

²⁵ When it arrives, it finds the house swept clean and put in order. ²⁶ Then it goes and takes seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and live there. And the final condition of that person is worse than the first.

2 Timothy 3:1-5 - But Mark this: there will be terrible times in the last days. ² People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, ⁴ treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— ⁵ having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.

When you're filled with the Spirit you will be filled with **POWER!**

Acts 1:8 - But you will receive POWER when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

When you're filled with the Spirit you will be filled with **HOPE!**

Romans 15:13 - May the God of HOPE fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with HOPE by the power of the Holy Spirit.

When you're filled with the Spirit you will be filled with **FREEDOM!**

2 Corinthians 3:17 - Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is "FREEDOM."

When you're filled with the Spirit you will be filled with **"THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT!"**

Galatians 5:22-25 - But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.