

Life Group Homework

EPHESIANS 5:15-20

Let's Get Started:

Christians come from various backgrounds, denominations, and experiences relative to the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. What was your background and teaching about the Holy Spirit? Share about this in your small group time.

Let's Dig In:

In Ephesians 5:18, the Apostle Paul gives us both a warning and a command.

a. What is the warning?

b. What is the command?

c. According the Bible, is drinking alcohol wrong or prohibited for Christians?

d. What guidelines do you think are helpful regarding Christians and the consumption of alcohol?

e. In your own words, what does Paul mean by his command that Christians be "filled with the Spirit?"

a. What amazing event might Paul have had in his mind when he wrote “be filled with the Spirit?”

b. We are commanded by God to continuously live in a state of surrendering the control of our lives to the Holy Spirit. According to Luke 11:13, what is the first step in claiming the indwelling and infilling of the Holy Spirit?

c. What do you personally do to continually refill and replenish the Holy Spirit?

d. How do you know when you are “running low” or “near empty” of the Holy Spirit?

e. Read Romans 12:1. In today’s culture, what do you experience or observe as the most strong or alluring pulls to conform to the activities and thinking of the world?

In your own words, what is the profile of a Christian who is presenting his or her life as a living sacrifice?

k. What do the following scriptures each show us about what changes and growth we can expect when we are seeking to live as Christians empowered by the love and grace of the Holy Spirit?

- Acts 1:8

- John 16:1-15

- Galatians 5:16

- I Corinthians 12:4-11

- 2 Corinthians 3:18

Let's Live It Out:

It's a new year and a new decade! In your small group, share something significant that you are trusting God to do in or through you in 2020. *And don't forget to pray for one another and bless each other with encouragement!*