

Live the Spirit-filled Life

Ephesians 5:15-20

Introduction: In Ephesians 1-3 we learned all about our true identity, our eternal identity, the New You, that God graciously gave to us when we placed our faith in Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:17-18. However, when we became a new creation in Christ, our old self, “the flesh,” was not extinguished. Ephesians 4:22, 24

The Key to living out of the New You is the presence and power of the Holy Spirit within you.

The filling of the Holy Spirit is absolutely necessary to live a life of victory and purpose. vs. 15-20

- To be filled with the Holy Spirit is to be empowered BY and under control OF the Holy Spirit.

How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit? Are there conditions? What are the steps?

- Step One: Claim and make use of what already belongs to you. Luke 11:13
- Step Two: Surrender your life in totality to Christ... no rivals and no reservations. Romans 12:1-2
 - Presentation
 - Separation
 - Transformation
- Step Three: Confess known sins. 1 John 1:9

What should I expect when I am filled with the Holy Spirit?