

# Filling with The Holy Spirit

Meaning, Mandate and Mode of filling  
with The Holy Spirit.

*Ephesians 5:16-20*

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# Introduction

- In order to grow in our spiritual life, it is important that we should be filled with Holy Spirit continuously.
- The person who is filled with the Holy Spirit, is under His control.

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Bible gives us three imperatives to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

They are:

- Do not grieve the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 4:30
- Do not put out the Spirit's fire. 1Thes 5:19
- Walk by the Spirit. Galatians 5:16
- I believe, it is a biblical mandate for the believers to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Eph5:18

# Meaning of filling with the Holy Spirit.

- The work of the Holy Spirit in filling the believer may be simply defined as that ministry which is accomplished in the believer when he is fully yielded to the indwelling Holy Spirit.
- It means to be directed, controlled, empowered and influenced by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit filled person has submitted his will to God

# Meaning of filling with the Holy Spirit.

- Filling may occur frequently, even daily and hourly in a believer's life.
- It depends upon the initiative and obedience of the believer.

# Mandate to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

- Apostle Paul commands to the believers in Ephesus “Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.” Eph5:18
- There are many biblical example of men and women who were filled with the Holy Spirit.

# Mandate to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

- Jesus was filled with the H.S. Luke 4:1
- Zachariah, Elizabeth, John were filled with the H.S. Luke 1:15,41 and 67.
- Disciples were filled with H.S. Acts 2:4;4:8;6:3;7:55 and 9:17

# Conditions of the filling with the Holy Spirit.

- There are three imperatives in the word of God to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Out of them two are negative and one is positive.
- We will discuss them in details.



# Do not grieve the Holy Spirit.

- The Scripture often testify to the fact that the Spirit of God is holy and that He is a person.
- Body of the believer is a temple of the Holy Spirit.
- Sin in the life of a believer grieves the Holy Spirit.

# Do not grieve the Holy Spirit.

- The result of grieving the Holy Spirit is loss of fellowship with God and loss of blessing for a believer.
- The answer is to repent and confess. 1John 1:9
- So, to remain filled with the Holy Spirit, we should not grieve the Spirit.

# Do not quench the Holy Spirit.

- Second imperative for filling with the Holy Spirit is not to “Quench the Holy Spirit.” 1Thes 5:19
- Quenching the Spirit may be simply defined as being unyielding to Him, or saying, “No.” The issue is, therefore, the question of willingness to do His will.

# Walk by The Spirit

- The two former requirements for a Spirit-filled life were negative in character : we can not say no to the Spirit and we can not continue grieving the Spirit, if we desire the filling of the Spirit. The third requirement, of walking in the Spirit, is the positive aspect of the truth.
- In the command, walk by the Spirit, there is an urgent exhortation to walk by the power and presence of the Spirit who dwells in us.

# Walk by The Spirit

- The failure to walk by the Spirit will result in immediate spiritual failure.

The reasons we need to walk by the Spirit are following:

- The Christian standard of spiritual life.
- The power of the world system.
- The power of Satan and the presence of the sin nature.

# Conclusion

- We are commanded to be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- To be filled with the Holy Spirit is to be controlled by the Holy Spirit.

# Conclusion

- In order to be filled with the Holy Spirit, we should do the following:
  - We should not grieve the Holy Spirit.
  - We should not quench the Holy Spirit.
  - We should walk by the Spirit.