

Living a Spirit Filled Life

A Study from “Transferable Concepts”



but be filled with the Spirit
—Ephesians 5:18

Memorable Quotes on the Holy Spirit by the Church Fathers

- “It is the Spirit that sheds the love of God abroad in their hearts, and the love of all mankind; thereby purifying their hearts from the love of the world, from the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life. It is by Him they are delivered from anger and pride, from all vile and inordinate affections.” – *John Wesley*
- “The Spirit is the first power we practically experience, but the last power we come to understand.” – *Oswald Chambers*

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- “Though the Holy Spirit is God, equal in essence to the Father and the Son, yet his role is consistently to defer honor, to seek to bring about the glory of another.” – *Bruce Ware*
- “There is no use in running before you are sent; there is no use in attempting to do God’s work without God’s power. A man working without this unction, a man working without this anointing, a man working without the Holy Ghost upon him, is losing time after all.” – *D.L. Moody*

Memorable Quotes on the Holy Spirit by the Church Fathers

- “Trying to do the Lord’s work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work. But when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you.” – *Corrie Ten Boom*
- The man who denies the Trinity will lose his soul. The man who tries to understand the Trinity will lose his mind. Dr. Wilbur Smith

Why do you need the Filling of the Spirit?

- Jesus had commissioned His disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel and to make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28 : 19,20 ; Mark 16 : 15) . However , He had told them not to leave Jerusalem until they were **filled with the power** of the Holy Spirit . “
- **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 ” (Acts 1:8)

The Holy Spirit

- The Filling Power of the Holy Spirit enables us to be Witnesses
- We cannot effectively witness until we receive power from on high
- Programs, teachings, seminars, etc., are great but power does not come from them

Trust, Faith, and a Promise

- 12 “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I go to the Father. 13 Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it, that the Father may be glorified in the Son; 14 if you ask anything in my name, I will do it. **John 14:12-14**

Dispelling Myths

- You cannot , in your own energy , accomplish these great works . It is Christ Himself — living within you in all of His resurrection power , walking around in your body , thinking with your mind , loving with your heart , speaking with your lips — who will empower you with the Holy Spirit to do these great works .
- It is not your wisdom , your eloquence , your logic , your good personality , or your persuasiveness that brings people to our Savior . It is the Son of Man , who came to seek and to save the lost , who sent His Holy Spirit to fill and empower you.

Dispelling Myths

- The Holy Spirit cannot draw if you don't have His blessing / approval
 - The Son of Man draws "If I be lifted up..."
- Are you lifting Jesus up?
 - Praising Him, Acknowledging Him, Witnessing for Him, Seeking Him
- Are you filled with power from on High?
- Are we in our own way?

How does the Holy Spirit operate?

- 17 And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you become fishers of men.” 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. Mk 1:16–18

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God sent the Holy Spirit to....

- But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will **teach you all things**, and **bring to your remembrance** all that **I have said to you**. John 14:26
- His voice is in His Word.
- The more of His Word you know, the greater you will hear His voice.

God sent the Holy Spirit to....

- 12 “I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will **guide you** into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears **he will speak**, and he will declare to you the **things that are to come**. 14 He will **glorify me**, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take **what is mine and declare it to you**. John 16:12-15

The Holy Spirit is a prerequisite for the Kingdom of God

- 5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born anew.’ 8 The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit.”

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- 9 Nicodemus said to him, “How can this be?” 10 Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? 11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.” John 3:5-15

How to get filled with the Holy Spirit

- **Pray**

- And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness. (Acts 4:31)

- **Walk**

- “But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh” (Gal. 5:16); “For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery (Gal. 5:1).

How to get filled with the Holy Spirit

- **Set your mind on Him**
- 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.
- **Love His Word**
- 63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.