

How To Be Filled With The Holy Spirit



Ephesians 1:13-14 (*Key: verse 13)

- After we hear the Word (Gospel of Salvation)
- Trust In Him through The Word
- Believe (also see Romans 10:9-10)
- Receive (John 1:12)
- Receive the Seal (v13) (Seal (Greek)– to stamp for security or preservation- to attest); it is like a down payment.
 - Note: this also means that there's more to come...Baptism of The Holy Spirit

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- Example: John 20:19-22—He breathed on them...they received.
- Then, The Promise and the Manifestation of the Baptism...Acts 1:5, 8; 2:1-4
- Baptism (greek- to make clean; to overwhelm; to imbue richly; to bestow; to fill to the full)

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Being filled is predicated on the three main things:

- Understanding
- Submission
- Walking By Faith

Understanding

- Understand: God has given us His Spirit (John 14:15-17, 26)
- Understand: God has instructed us to Be Filled (Ephesians 5:18)
 - Greek—be filled literally means keep being filled...Acts 2:1-4, 13, 15-18
 - Note: operating in the flesh by being filled (intoxicated) with fleshly things will hinder being filled with the Holy Spirit (eg pride, self-will, any sin, pride, error, fill in your blank, etc)
 - See, the life of John the Baptist, Luke 1:15-16
 - Being filled also requires emptying out our stuff and replacing it with His stuff (Matthew 9:16-17)



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- Understanding
 - Understand: If we are thirsting to be filled, then we will be filled...
 - Thirst by Coming and Believing: John 7:37-39
 - Thirst by Asking: Luke 11:11-13 (ask with confidence and a strong desire)
 - Thirst means to long for something (Psalm 63:1-8); in this case the power of the Holy Spirit