

Week 9 | November 5th, 2023

Icebreakers

1. A Christmas Story or White Christmas?
2. Elf or The Grinch? (The Jim Carey version)
3. Are we turkey people, or ham people? Or neither?

Main Scripture

Ephesians 5: 18

Main Points

◆ "Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit"

- God desires us to grow
- He wants you to imitate love & gentleness
- You were once full of darkness, but now you live in the light
- Use wisdom to discover God's will for you

◆ Fill Yourself with the Holy Spirit

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◆ Ephesians 1:13

- Pleroma is the Greek word for "filled" or more accurately FULLNESS
- It is a nautical term to describe the acting of the wind "directing our path" while sailing
- Another term is PERMEATED
- When we first give the Spirit access, we may not give 100% access. We don't surrender it all
- We need the Holy Spirit to PERMEATE our WHOLE life
- We must continually ask for fullness. A daily pursuit of the Holy Spirit in us. Every day we must ask that He permeates our very being

◆ 2 Corinthians 3:18

- "And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."
- We become more and more like Him

◆ Galatians 3:3

- "Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh?"
- Your thoughts, attitude, speech and action determine your steps

◆ Galatians 5:25

- "Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit."
- Let us be led BY HIM in all we do


◆ All we have to do is ask

- Everything we do is anchored in Jesus dying on the cross
- When we SUBMIT 100% we place Jesus at the center of our lives

### Questions

1. What really stood out to you in the message?
  2. Have you allowed the Holy Spirit to permeate EVERY corner of your life? Why or why not?
  3. What does it mean to be TRULY filled with the Holy Spirit?
  4. How can we keep Jesus at the center of our lives EVERY. SINGLE. DAY. ?
- [5.How](#) can we give him full access more each day?

### Announcements

- ◆ Series continues next week Sunday, November 12th.
- ◆ Students will be back at the Collective @ 6:30p Nov 12th for Fight Night where we will continue our sermon series on Two Trees, One Choice: Week 2, Becoming the Beast.
- ◆ Holiday calendars are LIVE on Church Center! All Outreach opportunities are updated as well for this season of giving!
- ◆ You can sign up directly with Fostering Hope or Crossfire Ministries for any volunteering OR donate to either organization! 

- ¶ We'll have bins at Volunteer Check In and at Kids Check In to drop off any donations.
- ¶ We ask that all gifts for Crossfire Ministries be UNWRAPPED and delivered by DEC 3rd.
- ¶ Any gift cards for Fostering Hope can be dropped off in the Best Boxes in the auditorium OR at Next Steps!
- ¶ We ask that all gift cards be in the range of \$10-\$20!