

Walking in the Spirit, Part II

Galatians 5:7-26

Welcome back. We are in Part 2 of the 4 part series. Hopefully, we will advance in our understanding of *Walking in the Spirit* today. Part 2 will consist of learning how to be filled with the Spirit.

We closed last week with:

II Corinthians 5:1-7 “...God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee...”

Ephesians 1:13-14 ¹³ *In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,* ¹⁴ *who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.*

Prayer

- 1) So what does that mean?

When you accepted / believed in Christ, you were immediately indwelt with the Holy Spirit.

John 14:12-18, 25-27

I Corinthians 3:16 and 6:19-20

These scriptures and all scriptures related to the indwelling of the Holy Spirit make it clear --- the Holy Spirit is within you and you were changed.

So let's be clear.....

- 2) How do we lose the Spirit?

It would make sense to really understand exactly what that means. Every statement is an understatement of what that truly means to us as believers, as priests, if your worth was weighed by that alone.

Well.....

So, if I am indwelt am I always filled with the Holy Spirit? Yes No

Consider this. When we sin, we break our relationship with the Holy Spirit.

Walking in the Spirit is really being *filled* with the Holy Spirit.

3) How does sin break our relationship with the Holy Spirit?

What are the results of being filled?

Back to the relationship: I keep talking about ... walking and talking with the Holy Spirit ... all day.

You will know when you are not supposed to do something, and then the war will start.

The moment you decide to follow your own will, you break the relationship and take back control of your soul --- therefore, the results of said choice.

You are out of fellowship..... Step 1 --- Repent --- Confess
Step 2 --- Believe

4) What happens if I don't believe I am forgiven?

Galatians 5:16-18

Boy, Paul makes it sound simple.

“Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh...”

How many of us want to do that?

Old Testament example:

Deuteronomy 11:18-21

So we see --- by keeping that relationship fluid, continually thinking of and talking to God.....

5) How do you hear the Spirit?

6) How do you follow prompting?

Walking in the Spirit = Walking WITH the Spirit.

Next week we will talk about our *fruit*! The proof

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