

**Sermon Notes: December 30, 2007**  
**Results of the Filling of the Holy Spirit-Part 2**

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**Review**

Filling is to be Continuous

Filling is for the Obedient and those who really believe God for it.

When filled with the Spirit, many wonderful things should start happening in your life.

Results of the filling of the Holy Spirit continued:  
Each experience is unique

Fourth: love overflowing  
Gal 5:13-26

Fifth: the Word of God should leap off the page  
John 6:63  
Luke 24:32  
Luke 24:45  
John 14:26

What Is the Word suppose to be like?  
Joy and rejoicing: Jeremiah 15:16

Powerful and discerning: Jeremiah 23:29

A sword that cuts deeply: Hebrews 4:12

Sixth: prayer should become powerful, intimate, and alive.  
Ephesians 6:18  
Jude 1:20  
Eph 2:18

Seventh: assurance of your relationship with God  
Romans 8:15  
Galatians 4:6  
Ephesians 5:18  
Acts 2:13-1

**Weekly Study Questions:**

**Day 1:**

Love is one of the key evidences that the Spirit of God is at work in and through each of us. What do the following verses reveal to you about the role of love according to God's perspective?

Matthew 5:43-48  
Matthew 22:36-39  
John 15:9-15  
Romans 8:38-39  
1Corinthians 13:4-7  
1John 4:7-12

Spend time praying through these principles. How is God asking you to grow in love? Who in your life should you be treating differently, based on the verses above? Commit your heart and actions to the Lord, asking Him to increase your understanding of love. Ask for the Spirit of God to fill you with the Love of the Father.

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**Day 2:**

The Spirit of God is used to awaken our understanding of the scriptures. In the following verses, identify ways in your own experience that you have seen the same principles come to life, and write your experience next to the verse.

Luke 24:32

John 14:26

Jeremiah 15:16

Hebrews 4:12

What difficulties or struggles have you had understanding the Word of God?

When you are listening to a sermon or teaching, what is your experience in receiving the Word of God?

As we have been studying about the Holy Spirit, have you experienced any changes in your experience with the Word of God?

Knowing that the Spirit of God brings the Word to life in us, what understanding do you gain as it pertains to you sharing the Gospel with others?

What prayers can you pray before you share with another person or before you come to the Word or hear a sermon?

Talk to the Lord about the Word of God. Share any concerns or struggles you have. Ask Him to fill you with the Spirit, your teacher and counselor. Ask for the understanding to experience the true power of the Word of God.

**Day 3:**

Pastor Chuck referred to verses that spoke of "Spirit led" prayers. Take a moment to connect with God in prayer. Confess your sins and receive His forgiveness and cleansing. Ask the Holy Spirit to be with you during your study time this morning, and ask Him to lead you in your prayer and reflection. Ask Him to give you His understanding, His heart, His perspective, and to teach you as you proceed.

Read Ephesians 3:14-21. This is Paul's prayer for the Christians in Ephesus.

Read it again, this time praying it back to God.

Read it one more time, praying it back to God and after each sentence, pray the thought through before you move on to the next verse.

Write your insights or experience here:

**Day 4:**

What verses reveal the intimacy that Jesus has with the Father?

Being filled with the Spirit of God increases our intimacy with God. Read Jesus' prayer to the Father in John 17:6-26.

What verses reveal that this intimacy is available to us and is the desire of God?

In all relationships, there are things that can interrupt intimacy. Take a moment of reflection, asking the Holy Spirit to reveal if there is anything that is interfering with your ability to go deeper and closer to God. It is not always sin, it can be our perspective, our attitudes, our pain...

Read Jesus' prayer one more time, and ask the Lord to minister to you through His Word.

**Day 5:**

What experiences in life have you had that were a real "high"?

What evidences in our world today reveal that people are hungering and pursuing an experiential "high"?

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What dangers are there in this pursuit?

Read Acts 2:13-17, describe in your own words the experience that the Disciples were having with the Holy Spirit.

Reflect on your own pursuit of God, are you afraid to experience all that He has for you? Write your thoughts out.

Commit your fears and concerns to God in prayer. Ask the Lord to fill you with His joy ... take a moment in quiet reflection ... hands open, palms up, with a willing and receiving heart and mind, reflect on God and His goodness and enjoy a moment of intimacy with Him.

### **Community Group Discussion Questions:**

How has your understanding of love and your ability to love others been affected by your walk with the Lord?

Read 1Corinthians 13:4-7, what do these qualities of love look like in real situations you all may be facing today?

Why is this "love walk" so important to the furthering of the Gospel of Christ in the world?

As the Spirit of God flows more freely in our lives we experience a deeper awareness of God and our understanding of His Word increases. Share your experiences, insights, and struggles about your personal understanding of the Scriptures. Are you aware of any changes as we are studying the Holy Spirit?

If anyone is frustrated and not experiencing God speaking to them through the Scripture, take a moment and pray for them, asking for the Spirit of God to fill them and increase their understanding and insight.

What does intimacy with God look like?

What are we afraid of as we pursue a deeper walk with God?

According to the stories you know in the Bible, what could we be missing out on if we do not desire a deeper walk, a more intimate walk, with God?

How have you seen your desire for God affected as you have been studying about the Holy Spirit?

As you close in prayer, do not share prayer requests this week. Ask the Holy Spirit to lead your time of prayer and to give you His heart and perspective for anyone in the room that needs prayer. Do not be afraid to wait on the Lord in quiet reflection, pray for each other as you are led. Try to keep your minds focused on God and not on the things you "know" about each other. Ask the Holy Spirit to come, and minister to each of you.