

# MISUNDERSTANDING THE SPIRIT

Week Four: Filled with the Spirit Pt. 2

### TODAY'S VERSES:

John 14:25-26 Ephesians 5:18-21 Ephesians 1:17-18 Colossians 3:16 John 16:14

### **UPCOMING:**

#### **Delta Christmas Drive**

Today is the last day to drop off your baskets for the Delta Drive. Thank you so much to everyone that has contributed!!

## Christmas Eve Service: 12/24 @6pm

Dress warm and bring your lawn chairs for an outdoor Christmas Concert. Save room for dessert as Crave Donuts will be here!

Find all links at: https://linktr.ee/ourelement

# DISCUSSION NOTES & QUESTIONS:

The topic of the Holy Spirit, studying and talking about Him is very difficult to wrap our minds around in modern America. When most people talk about the Spirit of God we tend to fall into 3 categories:

- 1. We don't really know if we belong to God...but we WANT to know more.
- 2. We are sure we belong to God and believe that God's Spirit resides in us, but don't know what it means to walk in His ways and want to learn
- 3. We are experienced Christians and wonder why, after all these years, we aren't any further along our walk or relationship with Jesus.

Many times we wonder if we aren't hearing the Spirit correctly if He is the one who is truly guiding and leading us.

Do you fall into any of these three categories? Why is being filled with the Spirit important? What does it mean to be filled with the Spirit?

What has been your experiences with that phrase or people who are "Spirit-filled?"

In earlier ages there was a deep understanding of God's working that was referred to as the *mysterium tremendum*, the awe inspiring tremendous mystery of God.

What do you think it means to love, worship and follow the person of the Holy Spirit? What are the times and places that you see or feel the awe inspiring mystery of God? What is it your heart craves? How can proper worship help?

How have you seen others search for that "spiritual connection' knowing that they were made for 'more?'

As we talked about last week, the Spirit brings self-control, stimulation, and joy. The Spirit moves us to begin to see the world as God does.

Since part 1 last week, have you found that the Spirit brings self-control and a life of stimulation? In what ways does the Spirit move us to see the world the way God does? In what ways does the Spirit grow us in knowing and following Jesus?

In John 16:14 Jesus says about the Spirit that *He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.*" The Spirit takes the truth and makes it shine. The sun comes out and all the other things that have bothered us, threatened us, or have controlled us are gone.

How does the Spirit speak to us most clearly?
Why does the Spirit lead us in our daily lives in normal ways?
How can we become a people of confidence, courage and love with the Spirit's leading?
How can/should we respond to the Spirit right now?

Spend time loving on and worshipping the Holy Spirit. Thank Him for shining light on truth in our lives and for reviving our souls and lives.

