

## **Sermon Notes**

**Big Idea:** Living a Spirit-Filled life is essential to a believer's personal growth and impact on the world around them. Being filled with the Holy Spirit doesn't make you better than others, it makes you better than you.

### **Baptism of the Holy Spirit and/or Being Filled with the Spirit**

**Baptism of/in → Receiving → Filled with → Be Being Filled with**

**Acts 2:1-4 (ESV) / Ephesians 5:15-18 (ESV) / Ephesians 1:13-14 (ESV) / Romans 8:11 (ESV)**

**Be Filled with the Spirit - Not from the outside in, but from the inside out!**

**How do I know if I'm Filled?**

**Steps to "Be Being Filled" with the Holy Spirit:**

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| - Remove all barriers.  | <b>1 Thessalonians 5:19-22 (ESV)</b> |
| - Request His Presence. | <b>Luke 11:13 (NIV)</b>              |
| - Receive Him by faith. | <b>Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)</b>            |
| - Relate to Him daily.  | <b>Galatians 5:25 (ESV)</b>          |

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1)** What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2)** What has been your understanding of, or experience with, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and/or Being Filled with the Spirit?
- 3)** Read 1 Thessalonians 5:19-22. Are there any barriers in your life that need to be removed in order for you to experience the Holy Spirit? Do you ever feel like you quench the Holy Spirit either directly or inadvertently? Explain.
- 4)** Read Luke 11:13 and Hebrews 11:6. Do you ever request God's Presence? What's it like for you to receive the Holy Spirit by Faith?
- 5)** Read Galatians 5:25. What's it mean for you to relate to the Holy Spirit on a daily basis? Share a thought about this statement: Being filled with the Holy Spirit doesn't make me better than you, it makes me better than me.