

THE WORTHY WALK OF SUPERNATURAL ABILITY

(Ephesians 5:18-21)

The authentic Christian life is designed to be a daily, personal, vertical fellowship with God based on your identification with Jesus Christ, motivated primarily by His love, and provided totally by His grace and power, which is enjoyed through repeated responses of faith as one diligently seeks the Lord, resulting in spiritual growth in Christ-likeness, faithful obedience to God's will, and fruitful service to others in love, all to the glory of God.

1. Some initial observations on this passage:

- a. Some translations fail to add the connective ____ (kai - vs.18) which indicates that this passage is related to the previous verses regarding understanding what the will of God is for believers.**
- b. These four verses are all ____ sentence, not multiple ones, as some translations render them.**
- c. In this sentence, there are _____ followed by _____, explaining both ____ and _____.**

2. The Worthy Walk of Supernatural Ability Involves ...

- a. NEGATIVELY: God does ____ want you to be _____, in which is _____. (5:18a)**

- What does this mean?
- Is this important?
- Are you an exception to this command?
- What does this prohibition imply about these believer's past or present?
- Has drunkenness been an issue in people's lives in the past? In the present?

- b. POSITIVELY: God wants you to be _____ . (5:18b)**

- What conjunction do you need to observe?
- What does "be filled" means? (John 16:6; Lk. 5:26,6:11) What is "Spirit" in reference to?
- How is this to be distinguished from the other ministries of the H.S.?
- Is this imperative? What are some other commands regarding the Holy Spirit?
- Does God want this to be true of all believers? What does the passive voice indicate?
- What does "with" in the instrumental case mean?
- What is the content that the Holy Spirit wants to fill you with so as to lead, dominate, or empower?

Principle to remember: You cannot live the Christian life, God's way, in your own _____ and _____ . It must be lived by _____ in _____ in light of your _____ according to the _____ through the enabling power of the _____ .

- Why does the Holy Spirit want to fill you with Jesus Christ?
- What is a helpful saying to remember?
- What are some key verses of the Christian life to remember?

c. CONSEQUENTLY. (5:19-21)

- What are not the consequences of being filled with the Holy Spirit? {Beware of satanic counterfeits}
- When the Holy Spirit is free to fill you with Jesus Christ via the Word of God, this manifests itself in such ways as ...
 - 1) _____ vertically to the _____ that overflows horizontally to _____.
speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, (5:19) What does this assume?
 - What do we need to remember about your music?
 - 2) _____ *always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, (5:20) What would motivate us to do this?*
 - 3) _____ *to one another in the fear of God. (5:21) How is this contrary to the flesh?*
- What areas of life will Ephesians 5:18 also impact?
 - 1) Your _____ . (5:22-33)
 - 2) Your _____ . (6:1-4)
 - 3) Your _____ . (6:5-9)
 - 4) Your _____ for Christ. (Acts 4:8,31)
 - 5) Your _____ into the image of _____. (2 Cor. 3:18)