

The Spiritual Christian, part 7 *Spirit Filling*

- I.** The spiritual Christian—(*ikos* ending) emanating things from the Holy Spirit, through the human spirit in action.
 1. Should be the goal of every Christian (1 Cor. 2:15).
 2. You will know if you are spiritual (Gal. 6:1).
 3. Has family relationship in order: rightly related to the Father and thus having access to the ministries of the Holy Spirit: anointing, interceding for, firstfruit, earnest, filling, walking, and leading.

- II.** When one is spiritual then he can be filled.
 1. Spirit filling: the Holy Spirit makes up what is lacking in the realm of desirers—thoughts.
 2. “You be, being filled by the Spirit” (Eph. 5:18).
 - 1) Human responsibility.
 - 2) A repetitious action.

- III.** When does a Christian need to be filled by the Spirit?
 1. When something is lacking in your desires.
 2. That is when attacked by the desires from the sin nature, aka flesh (Eph. 5:18).

- IV.** Know, Believe, Reckon, Yield (Rom. 6:1-13).
 1. Know that God imputes/counts as so that you:
 - 1) Were emersed into Christ’s death (vv. 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, **11**).
 - 2) Were co-buried with Him (v. 4).
 2. Believe: use divinely given faith to know with absolute certitude that:
 - 1) You will be bodily raise from the dead,
 - 2) Or taken with the live generation,
 - 3) And will live with Him (vv. 4, 5, 8, **11**).

3. Reckon—in a manner “like” God imputes/counts (v. 11).
 - 1) On one hand, count yourself, the person, to be in the state of death to the sin nature’s unrighteous desires.
 - 2) Then by the Holy Spirit, you put those practices to death (Rom. 8:13), this involves Spirit filling.
 - 3) Harken unto the Spirit’s righteous lusts, also involves Spirit filling (Gal. 5:17).
 - 4) On the other hand, you count yourself alive unto the Father.
 - i. Because He is your spiritual Father and is due all loyalty (1 Jn. 3:9-10).
 - ii. Because He imputed/counted you to be resurrected in His Son, Christ Jesus (vv. 4, 5, 8, 11).
 - iii. Also involves Spirit enabling: faith.
4. Yield, make yourself available to God the Father (vv. 12-13).
 - 1) The sin nature uses the body’s members to perform unrighteousness.
 - 2) Yield the members of your body that would in this situation function unrighteously: Spirit enabled (Rom. 8:13).
 - 3) This mentally separates you—the person—from the offending member(s), dead to the sin nature’s desires: Spirit enabling.
 - 4) “You stop yielding” ... to the offending bodily members.
 - 5) “You start yielding” ... to God the Father.

V. Yielding to God the Father.

1. We will yield to one or the other: to the sin nature or to God (Rom. 6:16).
2. Yield whole body (Rom. 12:1).
 - 1) Living sacrifice, seemingly contradictory (cf. O.T.).
 - 2) Logical, priestly service.