

# SMALL GROUP Q'S

Pentecostal Presbyterians  
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Ephesians 5:18-21

- 1.) Would you describe yourself as "exhausted," "running on empty," or "spiritually dry" right now? If not, when was the last time you remember feeling that?
- 2.) Will suggested that busyness or spiritual dryness is often a symptom rather than the underlying cause. What would it be a symptom of? Why are we often so busy?  
  
HINT: The underlying cause is often our natural way of functioning, where we seek to fulfill, validate, or soothe ourselves by achieving our own goals.
- 3.) What has your view on alcohol been growing up and now? Have you had positive or negative examples of the use of alcohol in your life? What is your biblical perspective on it, and how might your natural thoughts need to be challenged?
- 4.) How does the alternative to drunkenness not being sobriety but being "filled with the Spirit" deepen or broaden the focus of the passage?
- 5.) Do you think often about the Holy Spirit? Why do you think that is?
- 6.) What are the three pictures of the Spirit-filled life/church in this passage? Which one is the biggest challenge for you personally? For Southwood corporately?  
  
HINT: Christ-focused relationships/worship, Christ-centered gratitude, Christ-honoring submission
- 7.) What are the three pictures of the Spirit-filled life/church in this passage? Which one is the biggest joy for you personally? For Southwood corporately
- 8.) When you have been spiritually dry, have any of the following things been absent in your life: repentance, exposure to God's Word, talking to your Father? Why do you think they are typically connected?
- 9.) Will said "being filled with the Spirit" is about receiving rather than achieving? How does that encourage you? What would it look like for you to receive the filling of the Holy Spirit in your own life?



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