

## Ephesians 5:5-21 - Part 4

EMC Wednesday Night Bible Study - 11-4-15

### Context:

1. New Life in Christ (1:3-2:10)
2. The New Society (2:11-3:21)
3. **New Standards - unity and purity** (4:1-5:21) - final section
4. New Relationships (5:21-6:24)

### 4 Incentives for Righteous Living:

1. Certainty of judgement (vv. 5-7)
2. The fruit of light (vv. 8-14)
3. The nature of wisdom (vv. 15-17)
4. **The Fullness of the Holy Spirit (vv. 18-21)**

**Structure of this paragraph:** 2 imperatives + 4 present participles = Christian duty & consequences

### Concerning the Holy Spirit

- We have been “\_\_\_\_\_” by him (1:13)
  - Indicates ownership, adoption, sonship
  - \_\_\_\_\_ reality
- We must not “\_\_\_\_\_” him (4:30)
  - The HS is personally upset by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
  - The beginning and end of the salvation process

### An Interesting Comparison - 2 imperatives

- V. 18a - “And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation”
  - Dissipation: \_\_\_\_\_ of money, energy, or resources
  - A \_\_\_\_\_ - becoming less of what it was intended to be
- V. 18b - “be filled with the Spirit”
- Drunkenness vs. being filled with the Spirit
  - Superficial similarity - under the \_\_\_\_\_
    - Context
      - Heathen cult of Dionysus - god of the grape harvest, winemaking and wine, of ritual madness, fertility, theatre and religious ecstasy.
      - Intoxication as a means to inspiration
    - Galatians 5:22-23 - “self-control”
      - Under His influence, we do not lose self-control, we \_\_\_\_\_ it
- Pharmacology
  - Alcohol is a \_\_\_\_\_. The result of drunkenness is debauchery - behavior is like \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The HS is a \_\_\_\_\_. He is recreating us after the only one, true \_\_\_\_\_: Jesus Christ