

BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT
Minding The Things Of The Spirit

I. "Be filled" lays responsibility for being filled at your feet (The Holy Spirit does the filling, we determine if it happens)-Ep5:18-Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit-BBE-Be full of the Spirit-EEB-Let God's Spirit fill you

A. You're responsible for what your heart/what fills it-Pr4:23,Mt12:35,Ac5:2-Co3:16

II. Our spirits consume things (eat/drink/ingest)-Hunger, taste, eat, thirst, drink, satisfied internally-Ps119:103-How sweet are your words unto my taste-Jr15:16-Jn7:37-If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink...³⁹This spake he of the Spirit-1Co12:13-Been made to drink of one spirit-Ps63:1-My soul thirsteth for thee..⁵My soul shall be satisfied (filled)-Ps42:3-My tears have been my meat day and night-Pr4:17-Eat the bread of wickedness, drink the wine of violence

A. We have the capacity to consume something spiritually and have it get in us-What we consume we get full of and affects us on every level-Not real enough

B. Consumption is how you get full-Ps78:29-They did eat and were well filled Rm1:29-Filled with all unrighteousness-Mt23:28-Hypocrisy-Ps69:20-Heaviness-Lk5:26-Filled with fear

III. You consume spiritual things with the attention/mind/focus-Mt6:22-The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.²³ But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness

A. The mind/attention is the entry way into your being and the focus determines the fill (the eye is connected to the fill)-Light-Illuminator (gives light)-W18-Window, place light enters-CEV-Your eyes are like a window-Body-ST-Lit. or fig.-WS-Your whole person-TP-The eyes of your spirit allow revelation-light to enter into your being-TL-Your soul-Eye-ST-Lit./fig; Consider; WS-Eye of the mind/heart

B. Minding it is opening yourself to it, giving place to it, letting it in, giving it entry, room-That's how you get full of it (News, sports)-Pr4:20-Attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.²⁴Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

IV. To be full of the spirit we must mind the things of the spirit-Rm8:5-They that are after the flesh (YL-Those who are according to the flesh) do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit-NCB-Fix their attention on the things of the flesh, while those who live according to the Spirit set their thoughts on spiritual things

If you rarely pray, read your Bible, go to church, feed on The Word, commune with God and feed on natural junk (social media, tv, podcasts) you'll be full of the flesh not The Spirit

A. Minding the flesh-Flesh-ST/WS-Symbol of external/material as opposed to what is spiritual-Mind-ST-Entertain, interest in, set affection, think-WS-Mindful of, devoted to

B. Things of The Spirit & flesh-PH-Carnal attitude sees no further than natural things-VO-Mind is focused on the matters of the flesh-Co3:2-Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth

C. You can't be full of The Spirit minding the things of this life-Feeding and focusing on earthly stuff (Consumption is how you get full)

D. Doing these things is minding/consuming the things of the spirit-Ep5:18-CEB-Be filled with the Spirit in the following ways:^{KJ19} Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; ²⁰Giving thanks always for all things unto God-Ps63:5,6

E. Spirit-filled is a discipline-Choose daily to mind things of the spirit

F. We live in a distracting age and its easy to get pulled way from the things of the Spirit, to this fleshy natural life-A strategy of the enemy so you'll be and empty easy target-Mk4:19-AC-Distractions of the age-Hb12:2-AC-Looking away [from all that will distract] to Jesus