BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

Be Filled Speaking

- I. Being filled with Spirit is inseparable from speaking-Ep5:18-Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but <u>be filled with the Spirit; ¹⁹Speaking</u> to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord-Ac2:3-There appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. ⁴ And they were <u>all filled with the Holy Ghost</u>, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance-Ac10:44-While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.⁴⁵And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished..because that <u>on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.⁴⁶For they heard them speak with tongues</u>, and magnify God-Ac19:6-When Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied.
 - A. With the initial filling of The Spirit people **SPOKE** in tongues-Ac9:17-Receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Ghost-1Co14:18-I speak with tongues more than ye all-Ac8:15-Prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Ghost ¹⁶ (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them) ...¹⁷Then laid they their hands on them, and <u>they received</u> the Holy Ghost...¹⁸When Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given...
 - B. <u>He's not coming on people, forcing them to speak and be filled</u>-He can come on people and be resisted-*1Th5:19*-Quench (suppress, extinguish) not the spirit
 - C. <u>To be filled with The Spirit (initially & after) there must be a yielding</u>, <u>a receiving</u>, <u>a permitting on our part</u>-Ac8:17-Ac7:51-Resist the Holy Ghost
 - D. <u>The speaking is the yielding, the receiving, it permits the filling-He</u> came on them and they yielded, received, permitted the filling by speaking (We got filled initially this way)
 - 1. <u>Yielding your tongue is yielding yourself</u>, your life, the rudder, the bit (Js3)-The initial indwelling of the Spirit came when you CONFESSED Jesus is Lord-Rm10:8-10
 - E. To be filled you have to speak and if you won't speak you won't be <u>filled</u>-He gives the utterance, we do the speaking-**Ac2:4,1Co14:14**-If I pray in an unknown tongue my spirit prays...I will pray with the spirit
- II. Speaking is how the initial filling came and it's how continual fillings come
 - A. <u>Speaking by inspiration fills</u>-Ac2:4, Ep5:18,1Co14:3-He that <u>prophesies</u> (speak under divine inspiration) <u>speaks</u> unto men to edification (strengthen), and exhortation (2Co1:3) and comfort (strengthen, invigorate, cheer, enliven).⁴He that <u>speaks</u> in an unknown tongue edifies himself; but he that prophesies <u>edifies</u> the church. ⁵I would that ye all <u>spake</u> with tongues...³¹You all may prophesy
 - 1. This is a church setting, but the setting doesn't change what prophecy and tongues do-They edify-1Cor14:19
 - B. The way we stepped out and spoke inspired utterances by faith when you were initially filled we do that now in a variety expressions to keep on being filled-Sing, prophesy, tongues, speak The Word, magnify God
 - C. When you step out in faith and reach down into your heart and speak <u>utterances inspired by The Spirit you get filled</u>-Not out of your head, religiously, legalistically (letter kills)
 - D. <u>Speaking is drinking</u>-May start slow, keep drinking until you're filled-1Cor12:13

- III. You will be filled with the fruit your words-Speaking is consuming-Pr18:20-A man's belly (WS-Inner being of a person) shall be satisfied (filled) with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled
 - A. <u>Grumbling, complaining, talking death/defeat, judging, despising is</u> speaking by inspiration of another spirit and it too will fill you-**Ep5:4**
- IV. My spirit can receive life, quickenings, fillings as a result of what I say-Pr18:21-Death and life are in the power of the tongue
 - A. God's words are spirit and life [not only His written words, but His inspired words] and by speaking His words you consume and are filled with His Words/spirit/life-Jn6:63-It is the spirit that quickens; the flesh profits nothing: the words that I speak unto you they are spirit and they are life
 - B. <u>God quickens the dead (fills the dead with life) by speaking</u>-**Rm4:17**-As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations, before him whom he believed, even God, who quickens the dead and calls those things which be not as though they were.¹⁹He considered not his own body now dead...neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb
 - C. <u>If you stay silent you stay empty and dead: Silence can be deadly</u>-The fillings come by speaking and the challenge is to step out and speak when you feel empty (EX: K.M. Ministering to lady with stomach cancer)
 - D. <u>David strengthened himself in the Lord by speaking</u>-Ps23,1Sm30:6-David was greatly distressed...but David encouraged (strengthen) himself in the Lord-1Co14:3-Ps91:2-I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress