

3. Come _____ to God
4. _____ your hands
5. _____ your hearts, so you have singleness of heart
6. a. _____ (broken for sin),
 b. _____ (deep grief, remorse & repentance) and
 c. _____ (outward manifestation of inward
 emotion of grief & mourning)
7. _____ yourself before the Lord

Personal Reflection Question:

According to scripture, what spiritual clothing will people see ON you if you are “living the Spirit-filled life” or “abiding in Christ”?

Col 3:10, 12-14 says the new self I *put on* in faith will be renewed according to the image of Christ who is:

1. **Compassionate** = _____ for the needs of others which results in action
2. **Kind** = thoughtful _____ which bless others
3. **Humble** = correct view of _____ to God/others;
 _____ .
4. **Gentle** = _____ under control
5. **Patient** = _____ with each other.
6. **Forgiving** = forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the _____ forgave you.
7. **Loving** = And over all these virtues **put on** love, which binds them all together in perfect _____ .

See Also the Parallel Passage Found in Galatians 5:16-26:
 Compare the “clothes/deeds” of the flesh (vv. 19-21) against the “clothes/fruit” of the Spirit (vv. 22-23)

Application Questions:

1. **Check Your Walk:** Circle each of the works of the flesh and the fruits of the Spirit listed on page 35-36 which are a regular part of your life.
2. **Evaluate Your Walk:** which list has more characteristics circled? What conclusions can you make from the results of your evaluation? What conclusions ARE your family and friends most likely making?
3. **Personal Response:** Which attitudes, emotions & behaviors does the Lord want you to put off today?

 Is His Spirit tugging on your heart and pricking your conscience to finally agree with His assessment of an area in your life that you have not wanted to admit is sinful, nor you have wanted to repent of?
4. **Personal Response:** Which lie (beliefs) from Satan -- that has kept you from willfully surrendering to Christ’s power and presence -- do you want to replace with God’s truth today?

Preparation for Wednesday Night:

1. **Read:** Galatians 5:16-6:18
2. **Complete:** Lesson 6 (pages 34-38)
3. **Memorize:** Galatians 5:24-25 *
 review verses from previous weeks
4. **Special Focus:** work through the “Buckle It In” question (pg 37). List the top 5 works of the flesh you struggle with and the contrasting fruit of the Spirit which you would like Christ to develop in you to replace each fleshly work.
5. **Daily Devotion:** Start off each day *Changing Your Spiritual Wardrobe:* putting off sinful desires and actions and putting on the fruit of Christ through the power of the Spirit.

How To Live The Spirit-Filled Life: Living the Christian Life of Grace by Faith

Part 2 -- Lesson 6: Sunday March 11, 2007

Review from Last Week: 2 Questions:

1. How do Christians live a Spirit-filled life on a daily basis such that their life consistently becomes more like Jesus?
2. What steps does one take to get right with God if you are stuck in patterns of sin rather than obedience?

From the passage in John 15:1-8 about the Jesus the Vine & us as the Branches:

1. Only branches/people who bear fruit will live forever in heaven.
2. We are commanded to abide in Jesus and let Him abide in us. What does *Abide* mean?
Translation: Abiding = Willful Dependence
3. A branch by itself cannot bear fruit.
4. God receives glory when you:
 - a. bear fruit
 - b. outwardly prove that you are a disciple of Jesus.

Main Point of John 15:

God wants to receive glory through you and this occurs when you bear fruit. Only when you are abiding, willfully dependent upon Jesus, can you bear fruit

Question: What causes a Christian to stop abiding in Christ, which keeps him from bearing fruit?

Answer: When we believe a lie of Satan. that we can:

- a. detach from the Jesus the vine & still produce godly fruit
- b. try to keep our own standard of righteousness using our own power and strength (Read Gal 5:6; Col 2:20-23)

Transition:

Since we *received* Christ by **faith** -- we surrendered control of our lives to him -- we are to *live* the Christian life the same way -- by **faith** (willfully surrendering control to Jesus) *There-*

fore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him (Col. 2:6)

In Ephesians 5:18, How are we commanded to live?

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit

- a. alcohol controls the **thinking** (people make decisions they never would have sober), **attitude** (depression) and **behavior** (lose reaction time, balance, coordination) of people.
- b. We are commanded to willfully surrender control of our **thoughts, attitude and behavior** to the Holy Spirit.

Q: How does a Christian practically “abide in Christ” and obey the command to be “filled” or “controlled” by the Spirit?

How Do You Change Your Spiritual Wardrobe?

Read: Colossians 3:5, 7-10, 12-14

1. PUT _____: **confess your sin and _____**

Confession = to _____ with God’s assessment of your motives, attitude and actions. (I John 1:9)

- b. *Repentance* = to _____ around, 180 change
 1. **forsake** =
 2. **reconciliation** =
 3. **restitution** =

2. PUT ____: **In faith, submit to God and draw near to Him in humble dependence and relationship.**

Read: James 4:6-10

7 Steps to Changing One’s Spiritual Wardrobe:

1. _____ to God
2. _____ the devil

Double-minded = “double-committed” to my husband and _____ .

- * **Question:** How are you flirting with the devil?
- * Where do you and the enemy rendezvous?