



The Spirit of Intoxication



Key Verse: Ephesians 5:18 – “Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.”

1. We see through verses like Ephesians 5:18, Jeremiah 23:9, and Acts 2:13 that the Word of God compares being filled with the Holy Spirit to intoxication. What makes that idea uncomfortable (or meaningful) to you? What do you think God is trying to communicate through that comparison?

2. We examined how Eph. 5:18 is written in the present imperative tense (in the original Greek). Literally meaning, “Be being filled continuously in the Spirit” – not a one-time event, not even the same event at different times – but continuous. What would it actually look like in your daily life for you to live that way?

3. The Holy Spirit produces joy naturally in our lives — it’s not something you have to “work up.” Be honest: do you experience that kind of joy? If not, what do you think is missing or blocking it?

4. On Sunday, we talked about how The Holy Spirit intoxicates us with love for Jesus. Have you ever experienced that personally—or does that feel distant or unfamiliar? What can you/will you do to begin to grow in this area?

5. If God hasn't touched your emotions, He hasn't touched all of you yet. Have you let Him? If not yet fully (or unsure), what can you/will you do to allow Him access/entrance into this area of your life?
