

## CONDITIONS FOR INFILLING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

### Ephesians 5:18

**Introduction:** The Holy Spirit convicts, enlightens, brings the new birth, indwells, baptizes and fills. Ignorantly and sadly, people try to add to what God has already done regarding to salvation and also what is needed for the infilling of the Holy Spirit. We do not need to pray for it nor try to persuade God or beg the Holy Spirit to fill us or perform some great act of faith. There are THREE conditions required for the Holy Spirit's infilling and it is the same three conditions for every believer.

### I. DO NOT GRIEVE THE HOLY SPIRIT (*Ephesians 4:30*)

- Sin in the believer's life forces the Holy Spirit to convict, bring confession and repentance instead of empowering and enabeling that believer.

#### 1. Prevention of Sin:

- The Word of God detects and preserves (*Psalm 119:11; Hebrews 4:12*)
- The indwelling Holy Spirit gives new motives and standards to the believer.
- The intercession of Jesus for the believer for His blood saves the believer from death.

#### 2. Remedy for beleivers' sins: (*1 John 1:8-2:1*)

- Don't sin! Sin causes grief, depression, discomfort, etc.
- No one can cleanse or restore the believer but Jesus.
- God walks only with those rightly related.
- Confession and repentance must be sincere, genuine and heartfelt sorrow.
- Praying for forgiveness does not replace confession and repentance.
- Sin is sin and God condemns all sin, and walks with no one in sin.

### II. DO NOT QUENCH THE HOLY SPIRIT (*1 Thessalonians 5:19*)

1. Quenching or suppressing the Holy Spirit is caused basically by an attitude problem.
2. Resistance, rejection of God's will nulifies the enabeling, empowering work of the Holy Spirit.
  - Resistance is saying "NO" to God.
3. Yieldedness is every believer's responsibility and not to pick or choose certain areas but to totally yield. Anything less than total yieldedness is REBELLION.
  - The believer is to yield as Jesus yielded.
4. The Holy Spirit leads only those who are committed to God's will.
  - The Bible is not "magic" by just flipping the pages, God's will jumps out.
  - Every unyielded beleiver's life promotes Satan's efforts against God.

### **III. THE BELIEVER MUST WALK CONSTANTLY IN THE SPIRIT (*Galatians 5:16*)**

1. Walking in the Spirit is moment by moment, a conscious, constant, deliberate dependence upon the Holy Spirit.  
- Praying once a day, "Lord help me through the day" does not bring that walk.
2. The quality of the believer's life reveals whether he/she is walking in the Spirit or not.

### **CONCLUSION:**

1. Conflict with the world, the flesh and the Devil is fierce and unceasing for every believer.
2. The believer can do nothing within his/her own power to be victorious over sin.
3. God has anticipated the problems of the believer and has made adequate provisions for His Children to be able to live as He requires.
4. God has provided the Holy Spirit who wants to enable and empower the believer to live as God demands.
5. The believer has but one thing to do - YIELD.