

Ephesians 5:17-20 | Walk in the Spirit

Getting Going (15 mins)

1. Settling in & Opening Prayer
2. Tell us about your first memory of God or church or Christians.

Digging Deeper (40 mins)

1. Review:
 - a. What are you thankful for today?
 - b. Reflecting on your week, did you please God? How?
 - c. Did you have opportunity to practice confession this week? Would you share it?
2. Read **Ephesians 5:17-20**. How do we know what the Lord's will is? What is foolishness?
3. Read **Proverbs 23:29-35**. What are the dangers of excessive imbibing? Why does God want us to keep control of our senses? Can one listen to the Spirit in a debauched state?
4. What does it mean to be filled with the Spirit? How does one stay filled?
5. Pastor Matt stated that one unique quality of the church is that we sing together. Do you enjoy this aspect of church? Why or why not?
6. Why is the quality of our heart much more important than the quality of our voice?
7. Give an example of a circumstance in your life where it was difficult to give thanks. Why was it hard? What would it take to change your perspective?

Practical Preparation (10 mins)

1. Are there times when you are tempted to be controlled by something other than the Holy Spirit? What can you do to be filled with the Holy Spirit every day?
2. Does your singing express your heart? How so?

Parting Prayer (15 mins)

1. Make sure you include thankfulness in your prayers together!
2. If you have someone capable of leading you, sing the doxology together to close.

Optional Extra Question – Tell us about when you first made a decision to follow Jesus.