



Hill Cliffe Study Guide Sunday 22 May 2022

Discussion starter

"If believers are people who have received the person of the Holy Spirit – then the question is not how do I get more of the Holy Spirit – but rather how does the Holy Spirit get more of me? Lordship is the call to our full submission to God. But most of us try to make do with very partial submission to God - which is less satisfying than we hope for, but exactly what we have allowed for."

1. Your thoughts?

Please read John 14.1-3 & 12

2. How would you feel if you were one of Jesus' disciples listening to him say this to you at Passover Supper?

Please read John 14.16-18 & 25-26

3. How would these words have reassured his disciples?
4. In what kinds of ways would the Holy Spirit be a help to them after Jesus left them?
(See also **Romans 8.28**)

Please read Ephesians 5.14-18

5. Why does Paul compare & contrast the act of being filled with the Spirit with being filled with alcohol?
6. God commands Christians to be filled with the Spirit. How can we choose to be filled with the Spirit, so as to come under the influence and control of the Holy Spirit in our lives? (See also **Galatians 5.24-25**)
7. When drunk – under the influence of alcohol – people act and speak differently. When filled with the Spirit - under the influence of the Spirit – people speak and act differently. What's different?
8. What have we learned about the Holy Spirit here? And how do we need to respond to him differently?