BE YE FILLED

To be fill according dictionary is to occupy fully, to take up all of. To enter (something), making it full. To become full. To become pervaded with something.

Act 2:4 KJV And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

On the day of Pentecost while they gathered together in one accord in one place with an expectant heart praying the bible says suddenly there was a sound that filled the house like a mighty rushing wind, then appeared unto them cloven tongues as of fire and rested on each of them. At that time they were all filed with the Holy Ghost.

What does it mean to be fill?

To be filled with anything is a phrase denoting that all the faculties are pervaded by it, engaged in it, or under its influence. So when the Bible says the disciples were all filled with the Holy Ghost. It actually means they were entirely under his sacred influence and power. Luke 1:41 Luke 1:67.

People can be filled with many things. Take for instance in Acts 3:10, the people were filled with wonder and amazement. In Acts 5:17, some people were filled with indignation. In Acts 13:45, they were filled with envy. In Acts 13:52, they were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

The disciples were filled in fulfillment of a promise. They were filled as they received in faith. They were filled in God's timing. They were filled as they were together in unity. And they were filled in unusual ways.

The Apostles were filled again and again after the initial filling of Act 2: 4

Act 4:31 KJV And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

Paul encouraged believers to be filled also with good things:

Be filled with Spirit

Eph 5:18 KJV And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

Drunkenness, as well as uncleanness, and drunkenness with uncleanness, for they commonly go together, were sins which the Ephesians and unconverted pagans were generally guilty of. St. Paul therefore cautions these new converts against this old sin, which transports men to insolent and outrageous practices, as the words next intimate, For therein is excess. The original word may be rendered lewdness and lust, to denote, that when persons are inflamed with wine, they are liable to all manner of excessive wickedness, and particularly to the sin of uncleanness.

The heathen priests pretended to be filled with the influence of the god they worshipped; and it was in these circumstances that they gave out their oracles.

Rather than being filled with wine or alcohol which may intoxicate, Paul admonished Christian to be filled with all the graces of the Spirit. The effect in inspiration was that the person was "filled" with an ecstatic exhilaration, like that caused by wine; hence the two are here connected

Be filled wth the fruit of the Spirit

Phi 1:11 KJV Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

The best manuscripts read "fruit." The fruits of righteousness, all holy tempers, holy words, and right actions. And with these they are to be filled, filled up, filled full; the whole soul and life occupied with them, ever doing something by which glory is brought to God, or good done to man.

Fruit also include honesty, truth, charity, kindness, meekness, goodness. The wish of the apostle is, that they might show abundantly by their lives

that they were truly righteous

Filled with knowledge

Col 1:9 KJV For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

Paul is talking of full, accurate and complete knowledge here. His desire and prayer is that the Colossians will advance in knowledge of God through Christ and this will be made possible through Holy Ghost imparting spiritual wisdom and understanding unto them.

- 1. The Divine will is the supreme subject of knowledge to a believer. It is not mere speculations about God"s nature or his counsels, but his will, that we are to study. This is God"s will as it is made known to us either in Scripture or experience.
- (1) It is his determining will. (Eph 1:5)
- (2) It is his prescribing will, including Law and gospel, and especially the nature of faith and repentance (Act 22:9; Eph 1:9; Rom 12:2)
- (3) It is his will of approval (Gal 1:4; Mat 18:14)
- (4) It is his providential will (1Co 1:1; Rom 1:10) We have much to learn concerning God"s will in these four respects.

We are to be filled with the glory of God, knowledge of his will, wisdom, understanding and above all with the Holy Spirit. Whatever you are filled with will determine the course of your life. Be filled with Holy Ghost.

Example of men full of holy Ghost

One of the qualities of who will be deacon in the early church is that the person must be filled or full of Holy Ghost.

Act 6:3 KJV Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of

honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

Stephen was one of the seven chosen men and the Bible recorded this about him:

Act 6:5 KJV And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:

Act 7:55 KJV But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

Barnabas was similarly described as full of Holy Ghost

Act 11:24 KJV For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.

Paul was described like that too

Act 13:9 KJV Then Saul, (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him,