

# **November 9 - Live Spirit Filled**

How many of the things on your "to do" list are things you "have" to do? Not that they bring you joy, but they must get done? Too often we start to view our lives with Jesus as a list of "have-tos". Join us this weekend as we take a look at what it means to live a life of thanks and praise that is Spirit-filled and life-giving!

# Scripture:

#### Psalm 11:1-4 NLT

Praise the Lord! I will thank the Lord with all my heart as I meet with his godly people. <sup>2</sup> How amazing are the deeds of the Lord! All who delight in him should ponder them. <sup>3</sup> Everything he does reveals his glory and majesty. His righteousness never fails. <sup>4</sup> He causes us to remember his wonderful works. How gracious and merciful is our Lord!

### Ephesians 5:15-20 NLT

<sup>15</sup> So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. <sup>16</sup> Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. <sup>17</sup> Don't act thoughtlessly but understand what the Lord wants you to do. <sup>18</sup> Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit, <sup>19</sup> singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves and making music to the Lord in your hearts. <sup>20</sup> And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Questions:**

- Do you find it difficult to be thankful at all times? Why or why not?
- Think of a time in your life when it wasn't easy to be thankful during a difficult circumstance or situation. Why was it difficult?
- Did you eventually find thankfulness in that circumstance or situation? Yes or no, how did that make you feel?
- Jesus is always by our side, through the good time, the challenging time, and the everyday mundane times. Knowing this, how does this help you to be thankful at all times or try to be thankful, even in the really hard circumstances of our lives?

# **Reading for the Week:**

Monday: 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Tuesday: Psalm 100:1-5 Wednesday: Philippians 4:11 Thursday: John 3:16-17 Friday: Colossians 3:15