

Ephesians 5:18~ Also, do not be getting drunk with wine, in which there is debauchery, but keep getting filled with spirit.

- 1• Paul now encourages anointed Christians to stop getting drunk with wine, which causes a loss of self-control, resulting many times in debauchery, but to pray for Holy Spirit, which has no such deleterious effects, and which is far more delightful.

[Question] Why are anointed Christians told to stay away from wine?

[Question] What should they keep getting filled with, and why is this superior?

- 2• Woe to those who are **getting** up early in the morning, that they may seek just intoxicating liquor, who are lingering till late in the evening darkness, so that **wine** itself inflames them! (**Isaiah 5:11**)

[Question] What will come to those who give themselves over, to too much liquor or strong drink?

- 3• Woe to the one giving his companions something to drink, attaching to it your rage and anger, in order to make them **drunk**, for the purpose of looking upon their parts of shame. (**Habakkuk 2:15**)

[Question] What comes to the one getting others drunk, for the purpose of defiling them?

- 4• And they all became **filled** with Holy Spirit, and started to speak with different tongues, just as the **spirit** was granting them to make utterance. (**Acts of Apostles 2:4**)

[Question] What were the disciples filled with on Pentecost, and what did it cause them to do?

- 5• Do not drink **wine** or intoxicating liquor, you and your sons with you, when you come into the tent of meeting, that you may not die. It is a statute to time indefinite for your generations. (**Leviticus 10:9**)

[Question] What were the priests forbidden to partake of, when in service at the temple of Yehowah, on penalty of what?

- 6• And they must say to the older men of his city; This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious. He is not listening to our

voice, being a glutton and a drunkard. (**Deuteronomy 21:20**)

[Question] What were parents to do with a stubborn and rebellious son who was a drunk and a glutton?

- 7· Later Abigail came in to Nabal, and there he was having a feast in his house like the feast of the king, and Nabal's heart was feeling good within him, and he was as **drunk** as could be, and she did not tell him a thing, small or great, until the morning light. (**1 Samuel 25:36**)

[Question] What kind of a man was Nabal, and how did he act foolishly?

- 8· On the seventh day, when the king's heart was in a merry mood with **wine**, he said to Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha and Abagtha, Zethar and Carkas, the seven court officials that were ministering to the person of King Ahasuerus. (**Esther 1:10**)

[Question] What put the heart of King Ahasuerus in a merry mood?

- 9· Wine is a ridiculer, intoxicating liquor is boisterous, and everyone going astray by it, is not wise. (**Proverbs 20:1**)

[Question] What is wine, and what will happen to those going astray by it?

- 10· Who has woe? Who has uneasiness? Who has contentions? Who has concern? Who has wounds for no reason? Who has dullness of eyes? (**Proverbs 23:29**)

[Question] What questions does the congregator ask, about those partaking of an excess of liquor?

- 11· I explored with my heart by cheering my flesh even with **wine**, while I was leading my heart with wisdom, even to lay hold on folly, until I could see what good there was to the sons of mankind, in what they did under the heavens, for the number of the days of their life. (**Ecclesiastes 2:3**)

[Question] What did the congregator test out, and what did he find?