

## Talk 2: Filled with the Spirit

Bible Readings: Acts 4:23-31; Eph 5:15-20

### Intro: Filling the tank

1. Filled with the Spirit – boldness for the gospel

(Acts 4:29-31, 9:8-11)

2. Filled with the Spirit – joy in hardship (Acts 13:50-52)

3. Filled with the Spirit – a spiritual discipline

(Eph 5:15-20; Gal 5:16-23)

#### Acts 4:23-31 New International Version (NIV)

<sup>23</sup>On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them.<sup>24</sup>When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. <sup>25</sup>You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David:

"Why do the nations rage

and the peoples plot in vain?

<sup>26</sup>The kings of the earth rise up

and the rulers band together

against the Lord

and against his anointed one.<sup>[a]</sup><sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>27</sup>Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. <sup>28</sup>They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. <sup>29</sup>Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.<sup>30</sup>Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

<sup>31</sup>After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

#### Footnotes:

a. [Acts 4:26](#) That is, Messiah or Christ, b. [Acts 4:26](#) Psalm 2:1,2

#### Ephesians 5:15-20 New International Version (NIV)

<sup>15</sup>Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise,<sup>16</sup>making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.<sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.<sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,<sup>20</sup>always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.