

Three commands of the inner most being of the redeemed heart.

1 Thessalonians 5:16 Rejoice evermore.

1Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing.

1Thessalonians 5:18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

The command: be happy, be prayerful, and be thankful.

The scope: evermore, without ceasing, everything.

(Exhaustive: including all possibilities.)

1Thessalonians 5:19 Quench not the Spirit.

I. The Particulars of the Spirit being Quenched.

A. It is not the loss of the Spirit.

Ephesians 1:13 In whom (Christ) ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

Sealed: to set a mark upon by the impress of a seal or a stamp.

Earnest: money which in purchases is given as a pledge or down payment that the full amount will subsequently be paid.

B. It is not grieving the Spirit

Ephesians 4:30 And **grieve** not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. *Lypeō*. To make sorrowful.

C. It is rendering the Spirit ineffective.

Quench: *sbennymi*. To extinguish. "To cause to cease burning." *Webster*

Matthew 12:20 A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.

Mathew 25:8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

Mark 9:44 (46, 48) Where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched.

Ephesians 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the <u>fiery</u> darts of the wicked.

Hebrews 11:34 Quenched the violence of <u>fire</u>, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

Matthew 3:12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

- It is rendering the Holy Spirit ineffective n your life.
- The Holy Spirit wants to move you along a path to increased holiness, decreasing worldliness, the flesh and sin.

II. The Peril of the Spirit being Quenched.

A. Creates the fire of excitement in the young convert.

Luke 24:32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

B. Comforts in time of distress and doubt.

John 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

C. Convicts in times of disobedience.

John 16:8-10 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 Of sin, because they believe not on me; 10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; 11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

D. Convinces one of the truths of the Scriptures.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

1Corinthians 2:9-12 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. ¹⁰ But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. ¹¹ For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

Jeremiah 10:23 O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.

E. Cooperates through prayer on behalf of the believer.

Romans 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

F. Creates fruit in the believer.

Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

III. The Prevention of the Spirit being Quenched.

A. Inoculation. Obedience.

1Kings 19:10-12 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. 11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the LORD. And, behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the LORD; but the LORD was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the LORD was not in the earthquake: 12 And after the earthquake a fire; but the LORD was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

Isaiah 30:21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

B. The Toxin Disobedience.

C. The Cure Repentance & Revival.