

Be Filled with All the Fulness of God

CBC Leadership Retreat

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Pray – Ephesians 4:11-13

confession: we are specks!, admission of depravity

supplication: beseeching grace

thanksgiving: blessings hitherto

intercession: for wives, children, brethren, elderly, youth,
neighbors, community

I. Purpose of This Session(s)

A. to equip you to be full of joy

so that you may be strong(er) in the Lord (Neh. 8:10)

so that you may better connect those in your life with Jesus Christ which is the essence of why we're alive and which is called leadership

- personally lead yourself daily in Christ (I Tim. 4:16)
- lead your designated family to Christ
- lead at church
- lead at work
- lead in your country

B. to equip you to fulfill your dreams (The greatest dream is Christ – Be Thou My Vision!)

My vision is to [help you] implement your vision, to equip you to identify your vision, or to have a vision which is not perverse, idolatrous (which every non-Christ vision is). He means for us to be Christ-centered.

Every message I preach, by God's grace, is to renew, rekindle, revive, and clarify and make seem attainable that vision. That corresponds with our theme this year: Be Filled With all the Fulness of God. Our total church program is designed to promote your joy in the Lord!

C. to equip you to lead

II. How Are We Filled with the Joy of the Lord?

A. What is the source of such joy? the Holy Spirit!!

Every born again person is indwelt by the Holy Spirit of God; as that Spirit is not quenched (extinguished) by sin – remember He's the Holy Spirit, that person is filled with the Spirit of joy!

B. What is God's plan to attain such joy?

1. Quench not the Spirit of joy (I Thes. 5:18); i.e., confess and forsake sin (Pro. 28:13).
2. Refill your mind with the word of joy (Neh. 8:8-10).
3. Grow by fulfilling your next responsibility of joy.
4. Grow by leading.

My burden is that all our men become strong, humble, joy-filled leaders for God, and that we all end up on the same page before too long; and, that these things are taught to and caught by our sons, wives, and daughters. My hope is to jump start you today into joy (and to help you get your life (more) together)! J. Berg (p.259)

III. Warning

What I am about to teach you could be hazardous to the health of your family, this church, your worksite, and your community, if you don't pay heed to the following model.

IV. Model



V. How to Lead (to Christ) in a nut shell

goals: Where are we going?
plans: How do we get there?
schedules: When do we do it?

VI. What is the key component to being Spirit-filled? (how to be Spirit-filled)

Die to self will.

Be word-filled.

Leadership involves either following the leading of the flesh or following the leading of the Spirit.