

## Sermon: How Can You Tell If You Are Spirit-Filled?

Text: [1 Corinthians 13:1-3](#); [Galatians 5:22-23](#) ESV

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**Introduction:** Every church seems to have its own ideas. The Holiness groups seem to emphasize it is what you don't do anymore. Some churches, both Catholic and Protestant, indicate that Confirmation is what determines whether you have God's Spirit. Not too many years ago being "born again" was a similar term for conservative Republican. God's Spirit is not limited to any one group of religious or political people.

**I. There Will Be \_\_\_\_\_.**

**II. It Is Not an \_\_\_\_\_ Group Within the Church.**

**III. If You Are Making \_\_\_\_\_ for God.**

**Conclusion:** Feed your spiritual self. Feed on God's word. And in the words of the Apostle Paul: [Philippians 4:8-9](#) ESV 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

**1 Corinthians 13:1-3** ESV 1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

**Luke 11:14-26** ESV 14 Now he was casting out a demon that was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke, and the people marveled. 15 But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons," 16 while others, to test him, kept seeking from him a sign from heaven. 17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. 18 And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. 19 And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. 20 But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. 21 When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; 22 but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil. 23 Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. 24 "When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' 25 And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. 26 Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first."

**Galatians 5:22-23** ESV 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.