The Inner Man, part 16

Spirit Filling

- **I.** Divine enabling as pictured by the Inner Man.
 - 1. Brings a new mental perspective—four dimensions (Eph. 3:18; Rom. 7:25).
 - 2. Gains an experiential knowledge of love regarding The Christ (Eph. 3:19).
 - 3. To be filled into all the fullness from God, make up what is lacking mentally (Eph. 3:19).
- **II.** The Holy Spirit, another of the same kind of Comforter (Jn. 16:7).
 - 1. The disciples at the "Last Supper" were agitated in heart.
 - 2. Jesus had foretold His death numerous times:
 - 1) At Caesarea (Mt. 16:21-22; Mk. 8:31).
 - 2) At Galilee (Mt. 17:22-23).
 - 3) Before Capernaum (Mk. 9:31-32).
 - 4) Before Jerusalem (Mt. 20:17-19; Mk. 10:33-34; Lu.18:31-34).
 - 5) At Bethsaida (Lu. 9:22).
 - 3. Jesus the Comforter (Jn. 14;1, 27).
 - 1) Faith (Jn. 14:1).
 - 2) Peace (Jn. 14:27).
 - 4. The Holy Spirit comforts (2 Cor. 7:4; Eph. 3:16).
- III. The Fruit from the Spirit—facets that comfort (Gal. 5:22-23).
 - 1. **Joy**-the mental willingness to accept and appreciate all circumstances, without resentment (2 Cor. 7:4; Jam. 1:2).
 - 2. Peace-an unruffled mind, tranquility (Jn. 14:27; Phil. 4:7).
 - 3. **Longsuffering**-focus on spiritual goal (Jam. 4:7-8).
 - 4. **Goodness**-inner satisfaction in the Christian lifestyle (1 Tim. 1:11).
 - 5. **Faith**-the ability to take God at His word when He promised something to Christians, particularly the promises of Divine enabling to live the Christian life (Heb. 11:1; 10:38).
 - 6. **Meekness**-objectivity of mind, not swayed by emotion (Nu. 12:3; Mt. 11:29-30).
 - 7. **Self-control**-the ability to keep one's bodily appetites in subjection and so as to not interfere with one's Christian life (1 Cor. 9:24-27).