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- 1. Will**
- 2. Fill**

Ephesians 5:15-21^{ESV}

¹⁵ Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 1:4-10^{ESV}

⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the

Ephesians 1:4-10^{ESV}

purpose of his Will, ...⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,⁸ which he lavished upon us, ...⁹ making known to us the mystery of

Ephesians 1:4-10^{ESV}

his will, according to his purpose,
which he set forth in Christ¹⁰ as a
plan for the fullness of time, to unite
all things in him, things in heaven and
things on earth.

God's Will =

- **That we should be holy and blameless (Eph 1:4, 1 Thes 4:3)**
- **“All Things” “In Him” - A Guarantee (Eph 4:10)**

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18 ... be Filled with the Spirit,

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¹⁸ And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but Be Filled with the Spirit,

1. ¹⁹ addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,

Ephesians 5:15-21^{ESV}

2. singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,
3. ²⁰ giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Ephesians 5:15-21^{ESV}

4. ²¹ submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Ephesians 5:18b-19a^{ESV}

**¹⁸ ... be filled with the Spirit,
#1 - ¹⁹ addressing one another
in psalms and hymns and
spiritual songs,**

Ephesians 4:29-30^{ESV}

²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Ephesians 5:18b, 19b^{ESV}

18 ... be filled with the Spirit,
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Ephesians 5:18b, 20^{ESV}

**18 ... be filled with the Spirit,
#3 - 20 giving thanks always and for
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name of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

Our life is, at every moment supplied by Him: our tiny, miraculous power of *free will only operates on bodies which His continual energy keeps in existence* - our very power to think is His power communicated to us.

Lewis, *The Problem of Pain*. 37

Gratitude

- It is not praising him for evil.
- Praising God for being God;

Peter Thomas O'Brien, *The Letter to the Ephesians*, The Pillar New Testament Commentary (Grand Rapids, MI: W.B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1999), 398.

Ephesians 5:18b, 21^{ESV}

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- 1) Building others up [vs 19a]**
- 2) Hearts set on Him (worship) [19b]**
- 3) Humble Acceptance of God's will. [20]**
- 4) Submitting to Christ's Lordship over all things. [21]**

The background features several ancient stone tablets with a grid of small holes, possibly representing a calendar or a record. A bright, glowing orb is visible in the upper right quadrant. The overall color palette is a mix of warm oranges and yellows on the left, transitioning to cooler blues and purples on the right.

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