Sermon Summary: Feb 17, 2019

**The Larger Christian Life:**

**Being Spirit-filled**

* “The Larger Christian Life” is sort of a catchall term that describes a rich and sincere relationship with God.
* The average Christian life is not the normal Christian life that is described in the New Testament.
  + We may not experience the larger Christian life but we know it is true from scripture and other people.
* Some people never experience the larger Christian life because they simply stop trying for it.
  + Like anything organic, if our relationship with God ceases to grow it begins to dies.
* We need the help of the Holy Spirit.
  + The Holy Spirit is “God in us.”
* The problem is that our lives are already too full with “self” to receive any more of the Holy Spirit.
  + “If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.” (Matthew 16:25)
  + We can only be filled with God if we make room for Him.

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