

□ Anchor Points #13 □
Fillings: Pro and Con!
Ephesians 5:3-11 & 15-20

“Let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up, and let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.

~ Hebrews 12:1b

Anchor Points #1-3 ~ “Our eternal foundation is the Triune God.”

Anchor Point #4 ~ “The Church is the Body of Christ.”

Anchor Point #5 ~ “Salvation comes only by God’s grace alone.”

Anchor Point #6 ~ “Jesus will return to earth for a second time.”

Anchor Point #7 ~ “The Church’s main mission is to spread the Gospel.”

Anchor Point #8 ~ “Loving God, loving neighbors is our crowning standard.”

Anchor Point #9 ~ “Live your life to please God.”

Anchor Point #10~ “We ALL serve God in ministry, AKA God’s Work”

Anchor Point #11~ “Know the Truth and defend it with love.”

Anchor Point #12~ “Use your resources for God’s purposes.”

Anchor Point #13 ~ “Take Sin SERIOUSLY.”

Principle about human beings: We must be FILLED with something.

Introduction: We live in a culture full of sin; despite this fact, we are called to live our lives by God’s righteous standard. Why should we?

□ Because sin is a wrecking ball. It destroys our RELATIONSHIP with God, Neighbor, Nature and even Ourselves. sin must be taken seriously and dealt with DECISIVELY.

Why take sin seriously? ~ The stakes are immeasurably high!

I. Your eternal destiny depends on taking sin seriously. (vs. 5)

□ Christians are called to the highest MORAL standard on earth.

□ Where did we get such crazy ideas? JESUS

□ Don’t be fooled by those who try to excuse sin, including YOURSELF.

II. Your Choice of fillings; will it be:

- Selfishness or Thankfulness?
- Darkness or Light?
- Wisdom or Foolishness?
- Wine or the Holy Spirit?

Bottom Line: Be filled with the HOLY SPIRIT!