

Rivers of Living Water

Yielding--The Believer's Part in being Spirit-filled

The basic principle in a spiritual life lies in its control. The Holy Spirit works to bring the Christian to refuse the further reign of self and to choose the sovereignty of Christ over his life by yielding to Him as Lord.

“Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?” (Rom. 6:16).

To yield the life unconditionally to Christ is the first step in a walk in the Spirit.

The Yielded Life—Why?

There is a basic motive in yielding the life to Christ which when discovered is both convincing and compelling. In the hope that it may help some of you, may I tell you how God led me to this discovery.

I was no older than some of the boys and girls here tonight when I accepted Christ as my Saviour. I experienced deep and real joy in the consciousness of forgiveness of sins and in the fellowship of Christ. This made me desire the salvation of others in my family and for this I prayed but my prayer was not answered. This troubled me.