

# **S.O.H.L.**

## **WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS**

*Pronounced "Soul"*

**May 18, 2015**

### **Making a Difference**

**COLOSSIANS 3:16 NKJV – (16)** Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

The message about Christ is powerful. *It changes people's lives.* To 'Fill your spirit' means that the word of Christ should affect every part of the Christian life. Christ also gives wisdom to Christians as they teach each other, warning other Christians about sin. This helps Christians to mature.

'Psalms' are the songs and poems that are in the \*Old Testament. Another way to 'fill the spirit' is through Psalms and other Christian songs. Christians sing because they are happy; they want to praise God in thanksgiving for their many blessings. People who come from every nation and society sing and praise God following their own traditions; God understands every language. Christians praise God when they are together – they praise Him when they are alone. They use all types of instruments and some even sing without instruments.

There is tremendous fulfillment in making others happy, despite our own situations. Shared grief is half the sorrow, but happiness when shared, is doubled. To feel rich, count all the gifts bestowed upon you not purchased with money. Even today is a gift - that is why it is called "The Present".

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

1 PETER 5:3

#### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

"If we want people to value us, then we have to value ourselves."