

Game plan for **Ephesians 5:18**

1. The **context**:
 - a. The **book** of Ephesians, and its main message
 - b. This **section** of Ephesians, chapters 4-6, esp. 4:17-6:9.
 - c. This **paragraph** and what it is about.
 - d. The **1or 2 verses** before and after. In particular, how does the positive command in Eph 5:18 relate to the **five participles** in Eph 5:19-21?
2. **Interlinear** Bible to determine the Greek for key words.
3. **Lexicon(s)** for key word(s): “dissipation”, “be filled”.
4. **Grammar** for expression “filled with the Spirit”.
5. **Englishman’s** concordance for “*pleroo*” in the writings of John and Paul. Pay attention to:
 - a. How *pleroo* is translated (the **meaning** given the word)
 - b. The **agent** or **instrument** (who/what performs the action)
 - c. The **object** of the verb (who or what is being *pleroo’d*)
 - d. The **content** with which the object is pleroo’d
6. The concept of **fullness** in Ephesians.
7. The activity of **the Spirit** in Ephesians.
8. What is the **ministry of the Spirit to believers** as described in the letters of Paul and the gospel of John? (Discussion)