

The Abiding Room

3 Levels of Life

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Becoming a Christian

Repent and Believe

“... Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

Mark 1:14 -15 (ESV)

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I. Unbelievers

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II. Believers

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Assurance of Salvation

One Way Arrow:

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Ephesians 1: 13-14 (NIV)

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The Holy Spirit is the Mark Distinguishing Believers from Unbelievers

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Romans 7:15

Defeat

“For I do not do what I *want*, but I do the very thing I hate.”

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Romans 7:18-19

Defeat

“For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the *desire* to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.

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Romans 7:24

Defeat

“Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?”

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Romans 8:1-2

Victory

“For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.”

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Romans 8:5-6

Victory

“For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”

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Romans 8:7-8

Victory

“For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.”

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Romans 8:13

Victory

“For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

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Romans 7 and 8

Implies that all Believers, at any moment,
are controlled by either:

The Holy Spirit
Or
The Flesh

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Ephesians 5:18

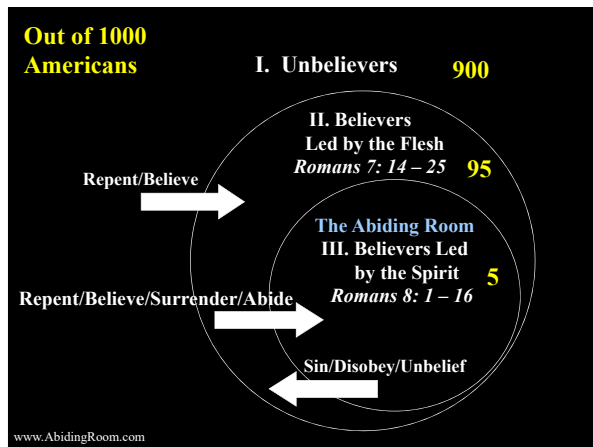
“Be filled with the Spirit!”

It implies not all believers are filled.

There are therefore 2 types of
believers at any moment:

Filled & Not Filled

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