

Go Deep

Fruit Of The Holy Spirit

All of the gifts we've already studied are for the m_____ of the individuals that make up the Body of Christ. They are gifts for edifying the saints and evangelizing the sinners.

The fruit of the Spirit are what makes the Kingdom of God visible and desirable.

These are contrasted with the fruit of the f_____—Galatians 5:16-18.

Paul talked about his personal battle with this in Romans 7:7-24, and he tells us that “the acts of the sinful nature are obvious” (Galatians 5:19-21). Then Paul shares how the Holy Spirit set him free (Romans 7:25—8:9), and how this change results in fruit of the Spirit replacing fruit of the flesh (Galatians 5:22-23).

The Fruit of the Holy Spirit

1. Love

- Seeking the h_____ g_____ of another person—1 Corinthians 13.
- The opposite of love is not hate, but apathy. Agape is p_____ in serving those in need.

2. Joy

- Feeling the n_____ of God—Luke 10:21.
- The opposite of this is d_____.
- *Joy* is a forerunner of p_____—Romans 14:17, 15:13.

3. Peace

- The r_____ that comes from knowing I am r_____ to God—John 14:26-27; Romans 8:6.
- The opposite of peace is anxiety, which then robs us of joy—1 Thessalonians 5:19-24.

4. Patience

- Slow to m_____ the strong emotions of anger, discouragement, anxiety.
- Examples: Jesus (Hebrews 12:1-3) and the saints (Ephesians 4:2).

5. Kindness

- Not wanting anyone to be h_____ by me—Colossians 3:12.

6. Goodness

- Zeal for t_____ that is usually expressed in acts of k_____ (Luke 7:37-50) and c_____ e_____ (Matthew 21:12-13).

7. Faithfulness

- Unswerving l_____ to one whom I am united to by a p_____—1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Timothy 4:7.
- Remember peace comes from being reassured of God's promises, and faith is an operational gift of the Spirit.

8. Gentleness

- Restraint (patience) coupled with s_____ and c_____—2 Timothy 2:25; 1 Peter 3:15.
- Example of Jesus—Matthew 11:28-30 vs. John 2:13-16.

9. Self-control

- M_____ my own passions and desires—1 Timothy 3:2, 11 vs. 2 Timothy 3:2-4.

This is an ongoing process = saint-ification(Galatians 5:23b-26) which this brings us right back where we started in Galatians 5:16.