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THE FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Christlike Character Produced from Within

GALATIANS 5:22-23 KJV

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

JOHN 15:4-5 KJV

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

The Fruit of the Holy Spirit

is the Christlike character the Holy Spirit produces in the believer who abides in Christ and yields to His control. Fruit grows from life within. It cannot be manufactured by religious performance or maintained by human willpower alone.

Love seeks the good of others. Joy rests in God. Peace steadies the heart. Longsuffering remains patient under pressure. Gentleness treats others graciously. Goodness chooses what is right. Faith includes faithfulness. Meekness is strength under God's control. Temperance is Spirit-enabled self-control.

Paul speaks of fruit in the singular because these qualities belong together. Believers cannot excuse the absence of self-control by pointing to kindness, or excuse harshness by claiming faithfulness. The Holy Spirit intends to reproduce the balanced character of Christ throughout the believer's life.

Fruit develops through abiding in Christ, surrender, testing, correction, and time. Spiritual gifts may attract immediate attention, but spiritual fruit gives the clearest continuing evidence that the Spirit is transforming a life.

SUPPORTING SCRIPTURES: FRUITFUL IN EVERY GOOD WORK

COLOSSIANS 1:10 KJV

That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

PHILIPPIANS 1:11 KJV

Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

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- PEACE
- GENTLENESS
- FAITH
- TEMPERANCE
- JOY
- LONGSUFFERING
- GOODNESS
- MEEKNESS

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