

Serving God by Serving Others

Fruit of the Spirit

JESUS CAME TO SERVE -- NOT BE SERVED.

MATT 20:28

As followers of Christ we are to emulate how he did life. As a servant leader.

1 Peter 2:16 ESV

"Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up / excuse for evil, but living as servants of God."

Ephesians 6:5-8 ESV

"Bondservants, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, with a sincere heart, as you would Christ, not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man, knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a bondservant or is free."

BONDSERVANT:

Under Roman rule: a slave - demanded - no choice

Under Christ's rule: a free choice to serve The Master - done from the heart

Culture contrasting Kingdom.

Fruit that produces,

is done so by Holy Spirit,

Cultivated in the right environment.



“But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!”

GALATIANS 5:22-23 NLT

Galatians 5:22-23 TPT

“But the fruit produced by the Holy Spirit within you is divine love in all its varied expressions: joy that overflows, peace that subdues, patience that endures, kindness in action, a life full of virtue, faith that prevails, gentleness of heart, and strength of spirit. Never set the law above these qualities, for they are meant to be limitless.”

You can't: “will” or “white knuckle” fruit to grow.

You CAN: give yourself the right environment to produce, cultivate and grow.

Below you'll find a list of each **Fruit of the Spirit**. On each, list how you could build more of the Kingdom / serve God and others more with this in full operation. Then list what is holding you back from seeing each fully manifest, grow and/or develop in your life.

LOVE

JOY

PEACE

PATIENCE

KINDNESS

VIRTUE (GOODNESS)

FAITHFULNESS

GENTLENESS

STRENGTH (SELF-CONTROL)

"For you were called to freedom. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."" **Galatians 5:13-14 ESV**

What does serving God by serving others look like?

FOR YOURSELF: _____

FOR YOUR FAMILY: _____

FOR YOUR AREA IN THE MARKETPLACE: _____
