

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT



Fruits of the Spirit are products of the Holy Spirit, who lives inside every believer. The fruit of the Spirit is produced by the Spirit, not by the Christian.

LOVE

Embracing and embodying the universal and perfect love of our Creator. This love is two-fold; a love for God and simultaneously (and as a result of the former) a love for people.

JOY

The settled assurance that God is in control of all the details of my life, the quiet confidence that ultimately everything is going to be alright and the determined choice to praise God in every situation.

PEACE

The feeling of wholeness and harmony with God and others, regardless of the situations that life may present us. A life of peace is safe and secure both physically and mentally, and comes from allowing the Holy Spirit to “renew our minds.” (Romans 12:2)

PATIENCE/FORBEARANCE

A quiet confidence knowing that through the Holy Spirit we are empowered to withstand the challenges of life with perseverance, endurance, and humility. Through patience, we can “bear with one another in love.” (Ephesians 4:1-2)

KINDNESS

Comes from a deep place of moral integrity, putting others’ needs before your own, and embodying Jesus’ compassion for us rather than judgment.

GOODNESS

An overflowing of our deep conviction and love, goodness stems from our heart’s upright standing with God. It permeates every part of our lives including our thoughts, words, and actions.

FAITHFULNESS

Comes from a place of trust and loyalty. Faithfulness requires us to submit our ways to God. It comes from a place of realizing that we are in need of a Savior and that He is in control of our lives.

GENTLENESS

The embracing of a mild and humble spirit as we see in Jesus...”for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.” (Matthew 11:29)

SELF-CONTROL

Helps us to resist temptation and avoid conforming to the things of this world...allows you to keep your mind focused on God while avoiding the temptation of your desires.

