

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Scripture: Galatians 5:22-23
Ephesians 5:9-10

Introduction

The fruit of the Spirit provides the continuing evidence of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. It is the character of Jesus Christ manifested in us.

- I. God's righteousness in us
 - A. Man's righteousness is unacceptable
Romans 3:10; Isaiah 64:6
 - B. The flesh cannot produce righteousness
John 3:6; Romans 8:8
 - C. God's righteousness must be in us
Philippians 3:9; Romans 8:8-10
- II. The fruit of the Spirit as God's righteousness and holiness
 - A. It begins at salvation (Example: a blossom)
Romans 6:16-22
 - B. It is produced through chastening (Example: pruning)
Hebrews 12:11
 - C. It causes spiritual reproduction (Example: fruition)
Ephesians 5:9-10
- III. Ninefold manifestation of the fruit of the Spirit
 - A. Love -- 1 Corinthians 13 (note 4-7)
 - B. Joy -- Matt. 2:10, 21:9, 28:8; Luke 1:41-56, 64-79, 2:10, 20, 10:17, 15:24, 19:6, 21:41, 52; Acts 2:46, 3:8, 8:8, 13:52, 15:3; 2 Cor. 2:3, 7:4; 1 Peter 1:8
 - C. Peace -- Philippians 4:7-8; John 14:27
 - D. Longsuffering -- 1 Cor. 13:4-7, 2 Cor. 6:4-6; Eph. 4:1-3; Col. 1:10-11, 3:12-13; 1 Tim. 3:10, 4:2
 - E. Gentleness -- 2 Tim. 2:24-26; Titus 3:1-2; Jas. 3:17
 - F. Goodness -- Ex. 33:19, 34:6-7; Ps. 23:6, 31:19, 33:5, 107:9; Mt. 5:44-48; Lk. 6:27-32; Rom. 2:4; Eph. 5:9;
 - G. Faith -- Heb. 11 (Faithfulness)
 - H. Meekness -- Ps. 22:26, 25:9, 37:11, 76:9, 147:6, 149:4; Isa. 29:19; Mt. 5:5; Gal. 6:1; 2 Tim. 2:24-25
 - I. Temperance -- Pr. 23:1-3, 25:16, Dan. 1:8-16; Rom. 3-14; 1 Cor. 9:25-27; Phil. 4:5; 1 Thess. 5:6-8; Tit. 2:2-3, 11-12; 2 Pet. 1:5-10