

## Fruits of the Holy Spirit #2

### Introduction:

As we get into this next study, I want to first recap on what we dealt with Last week.

#### 1). The Def: of Fruit - FRUIT (BEAR), FRUITFUL, UNFRUITFUL

1. karpos NT:2552, "fruit," is used (I) of the fruit of trees, fields, the earth, that which is produced by the inherent energy of a living organism.

Fruit is not works or something that we produce, but that which the Holy Spirit produces through us, as we allow His Lordship in our lives.

We are not **born** with them, we cannot **earn** them, neither are they to be **confused with the Gifts** of the Holy Spirit.

**Fruit is a natural result of proper growth** – It is expected by God. An ample tree will yield apples, and a Christian will yield forth Spiritual fruit.

**Fruit is a manifestation of Character**, Jesus said that you will know them by their fruits. Not the outside, but fruit is the INWARD manifestation.

**Fruit is an OVERFLOW of one's Spiritual life**, Where David said, my cup runs over. Fruit does not come forth from survival, but revival.

**There are 9 different fruits of the Spirit**, but the difference in these compared to gifts is that we are to allow the Holy Spirit to yield all 9 out of our lives. As Spiritual gifts, the Holy Spirit divides and provides as He sees fit.

**The Gifts of the Holy Spirit** are given from the beginning of our salvation, like some are born with special talents, we are born again with special Spiritual Gifts. So we might have some of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, but not all.

**As for the Fruits of the Spirit**, it is intended that we have All the Fruits eventually flowing through our lives. The Fruits of the Spirit are exposed to us in a special order and in **3 different sections**.

#### Text Gal 5:21-26

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control**. Against such there is no law.

24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

#### 1. The first three deals with our relation to our Heavenly Father.

- a. This is Divine love, not sensual love or brotherly love.
- b. Then joy...that inward confidence and sufficiency that is not effected by outward circumstances.
- c. Then comes peace...and Paul wrote that it was the peace that passeth all understanding.

#### 2. The next three have to do with our relationship to others.

#### 3. The final three deal with our relationship to ourselves.

This morning I'm going to deal with the first three and our relationship to our Heavenly Father.

First let us understand that these first 3 fruits are in a special order. Because if the Holy Spirit cannot yield this fruit out our lives **first**, then the other fruit will never come forth.

There is no such thing as being a **lover of humanity and a hater of God**. But the truth is that once you experience and respond to the **Love of the Father**, you will love those that are made in the similitude of God  
**James 3:7-12**

8 But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

9 With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God.

10 Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so.

11 Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening?

12 Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring can yield both salt water and fresh.

The point is that when we bless God, and curse man, it is contradictory, and our blessing God is not real, because out of the same spring we curse His creation.

So for us to go further we must have an **experience with the Holy Spirit** in order for us to yield these very important fruits in our lives. (Real life Experience) – Young Girl Experience with God.

### **Gal 5:22**

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

### **Point One: But the Fruit of the Spirit is LOVE**

The first fruit is Love, this is the beginning of our relationship with the Father, for many us it's the famous scripture of John 3:16 that lured our attention to GOD. "For God so loved the World...."

1 John 4:19 We love Him because He first loved us.

When we were awakened of His love, and we responded, something was divinely birthed in our hearts. HIS LOVE, not our love or an addition to our love, but His love.

### **The Holy Spirit birthed the love of God into our hearts...**

#### **Rom 5:5**

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

*Def: SHED - Pouring out, the gushing out of the Holy Spirit into our lives.*

#### **Gal 4:6-7**

6 Because you are sons, **God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts**, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

*We serve Him because we love Him, not because we have to. REPEAT*

#### **2 Cor 4:5-6**

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

His love shines in our hearts, that gives us a deeper revelation of Him. The fruit of the Holy Spirit illuminates our knowledge of Christ in Love.

The more we allow the Holy Spirit to cultivate this Fruit of Love for the Father, the deeper our relationship will grow.

#### **Jude 20-21**

20 But you, dear friends, **build yourselves up** in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit.

21 **Keep yourselves** in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.

### **Point Two: But the Fruit of the Spirit is Joy**

As Christians we look for various ways to obtain Joy. From an external attempt it's very temporary, But this Fruit of the Spirit is an "**Inner Confidence**" in our relationship to the Father.

Don't limit this Joy to a smile on your face, or an attitude of Giggles. It is an inner confidence in the Lordship of God.

This Joy is only yielded when we are convinced by the Holy Spirit that God the supreme maker. We need the Holy Spirit.

#### **Deut 28:47-48**

47 "Because you did not serve the LORD your God with joy and gladness of heart, for the abundance of everything, 48 therefore you shall serve your enemies, whom the LORD will send against you, in hunger, in thirst, in nakedness, and in need of everything; and He will put a yoke of iron on your neck until He has destroyed you.

When we look at this scripture, we can easily mistake this for to always be happy or we are going to serve the devil.

But the reality is that they did not serve God with the confidence in his control. We began to "Work and labor" in our own strength, because of our fear that God is not adequate.

When we allow the Holy Spirit to convince us that God is adequate, then we will experience a true divine Joy that will rejuvenate our souls.

#### **Neh 8:10**

Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our LORD. Do not sorrow, **for the joy of the LORD is your strength.**"

This Inner confidence build a divine strength in us, for we can truly say that the Lord is our strength of our hearts. "Inner Confidence" enables us to believe God to do far more than we can naturally.

#### **Dan 11:32**

And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: **but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.**

**We can experience the Fruit of this JOY in every situation of our lives...**

#### **1 Peter 1:7-8**

7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,

8 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

### **Point Three: But the Fruit of the Spirit is Peace**

One bumper sticker that caught my eye stated... Know God, Know Peace, No God No Peace. That is so true.

**The Def: of Peace** – To Flow in Harmony with. Amos says how can two walk together except they agree?

This is cultivated by the Holy Spirit as we commune with the Father. It is in this realm, our souls are settled in HIS WILL.

When we allow the Holy Spirit to Lead and guide, when we allow the Holy Spirit to have his dominion in our hearts, then we will find ourselves following Him to STILL WATERS.

The Flesh wars against the Spirit. It contends with the Spirit of GOD.

**Phil 4:6-7**

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

7 And the peace of God, which transcends (Surpasses) all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

When we find ourselves ANXIOUS about anything, we are OUT of the WILL of GOD.

This is not produced with Time, it is produced with submission, I know many Christians that have been saved 20 years, a nervous wreck in seas that have tossed them to and fro.

I choose submission, and Still Waters.

Stay in the presence of God... Take not thy Holy Spirit from me!

Rom 14:7 – For the Kingdom of God is... Righteousness, Peace and Joy in the Holy Ghost.