



LOVE



JOY

Name: _____



PEACE

DEEPER root



PATIENCE

HEALTHY fruit

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT



KINDNESS



GOODNESS



FAITHFULNESS



SELF-CONTROL



GENTLENESS

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*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.*

Against such there is no law.

-GALATIANS 5:22-23-

*I have been crucified with Christ; it is
no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me;
and the life which I now live in the flesh*

*I live by faith in the Son of God,
who loved me and gave Himself for me.*

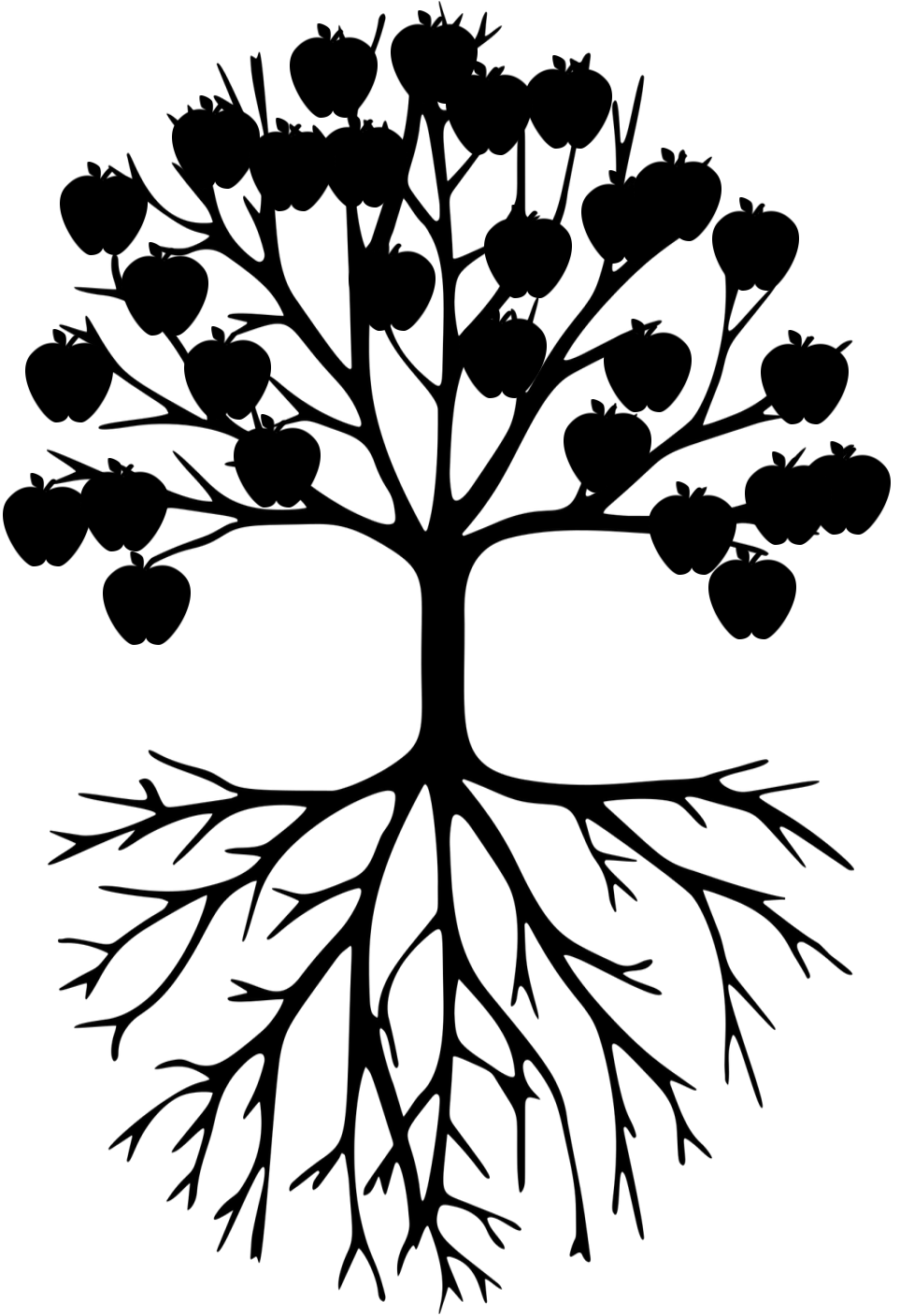
-GALATIANS 2:20-

*Stand fast therefore in the liberty
by which Christ has made us free,
and do not be entangled again
with a yoke of bondage.*

-GALATIANS 5:1-

*For you, brethren, have been called to liberty;
only do not use liberty
as an opportunity for the flesh,
but through love serve one another.*

-GALATIANS 5:13-



DEEPER Root, **HEALTHY** Fruit

The Fruit of the Spirit

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***Follow the Spirit's _____ to _____
Jesus' character!***

1. _____ by the _____

2. _____ by _____

3. _____ by _____

Reflection Questions

Galatians 5:22-23

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. “By their fruits you shall know them” (Matthew 7:20). How would those around you describe you? Does your life represent and demonstrate Jesus?
3. The Holy Spirit is seeking to lead you by the Word of God. Are you living under His control, or the control of something else (Ephesians 5:18)?

4. Do you value these character qualities enough to prioritize them in your daily life? Or are they a mere afterthought, neglected for other pursuits?

5. Read the parable of the soils and its explanation (Matthew 13:1-23). Consider your reception of the Word of God in your life. Is your heart fertile ground for fruitful growth?

6. How do you conduct yourself in the midst of conflict? Do you contain yourself to the boundaries of the fruit of the Spirit?

BEWARE of using _____ for _____!

1. The flesh is _____ by the _____

2. The flesh is _____ for _____

3. The flesh is _____ toward _____

Reflection Questions

Galatians 5:19-21

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How has the world around us corrupted the definitions of the fruit of the Spirit? What are the results of this “rotten fruit” in the world?
3. Examine yourself by each work of the flesh in Galatians 5:19-21. In your heart, mind, attitude, words, and actions, which of these are you guilty of?

4. Think of particular times when you have struggled with these “rotten fruits.” What fleshly desires are at the root of these struggles? How can you

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus confronted one of these “works of the flesh.” Meditate on these this week.

6. Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God (Galatians 5:21). Do you ever have a casual attitude toward sin because of the assurance of forgiveness? How does this change your attitude?

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. _____ with _____ love

2. _____ with _____ love

3. _____ with _____ love

Reflection Questions

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of love differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your love of others dependent on them, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at loving others. Why is love difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated love. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' love in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. _____ in _____ hope

2. _____ in _____ trial

3. _____ in _____ faith

Reflection Questions

1 Peter 1:3-9

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of joy differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your joy dependent on others, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at being joyful. Why is joy difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated joy. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' joy in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Incomprehensible Peace

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James 3:13-18

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. Sympathetically _____ others

2. Don't _____ others

3. _____ toward others

Reflection Questions

James 3:13-18

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of peace differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your peace with others dependent on them, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at keeping peace. Why is peace difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated peace. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' peace in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Steadfast Patience

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James 5:7-11

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. Be _____ to _____

2. Be _____ in _____

3. Greater _____ with _____

4. Think of particular times that you fail at being patient. Why is patience difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated patience. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' patience in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. _____ God's _____

2. _____ God's _____

3. _____ God's _____

4. Think of particular times that you fail at being kind. Why is kindness difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated kindness. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' kindness in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. _____ evil

2. _____ others

3. _____ Christ

Reflection Questions

1 Peter 3:8-17

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of good differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your goodness dependent on others, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at doing good. Why is goodness difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated goodness. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' goodness in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. We are _____ stewards

2. We are _____ stewards

3. We are _____ stewards

Reflection Questions

Matthew 25:14-30

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of faithfulness differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your faithfulness dependent on others, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at being faithful. Why is faithfulness difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated faithfulness. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' faithfulness in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. Decelerate your _____

2. Decelerate your _____

3. Accelerate your _____

Reflection Questions

James 1:19-21

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of gentleness differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your gentleness dependent on others, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at being gentle. Why is gentleness difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated gentleness. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' gentleness in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

Purposeful Self-Control

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

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Cultivate Jesus' _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit!

1. _____ yourself on _____

2. _____ yourself with _____

3. _____ yourself with _____

Reflection Questions

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. How does God's definition and standard of self-control differ from the world's definition and standard?
3. Consider your typical day. Is your self-control dependent on others, or on circumstances, or on feelings... or is it dependent on the Spirit in your life and on the truth of God's Word?

4. Think of particular times that you fail at controlling yourself. Why is self-control difficult then? What are you wanting at those times?

5. Write down 3 times that Jesus demonstrated self-control. Meditate on these this week.

6. How can you cultivate and pursue Jesus' self-control in a more intentional way? How will you consciously start this week?

We _____ *fruit better* _____!

1. _____ competing

2. _____ others

3. _____ yourself

Reflection Questions

Galatians 5:25-6:5

1. What personal applications come to mind as you listen to the sermon?
2. When you know someone is living in sin, do you tend to look the other way? Why might this be a natural reaction? Is this what God asks of you?
3. Who do you know that is struggling in their walk with the Lord? God has placed you in their lives for a reason... how will He use you?

Extra Notes

