

## Fruit of the Spirit is the Character of God in You

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God sent His Spirit as a promise through His Son Jesus Christ. It is the Holy Spirit who leads you to live in the image of God. The life of Jesus Christ has taught the world that God the Father is holy, righteous, sanctified, and free of sin. He is the power of creation, preeminent, divine, and forever eternal. God is faithful to His creation, and His love gives men the opportunity to be redeemed. It is through His death and His resurrection we have access to a perfect world with Him, known as heaven-the Kingdom of God. To get there we must operate in His character and to fulfill His will. Therefore, the Lord has led me to teach and breakdown why the Fruit of the Spirit is so important for your character.

The Fruit of the Spirit is the character of God identified as love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. These characteristics will mold your personality to fulfill the image of God in this wicked and perverse world. Once you receive the Holy Spirit, there are nine characteristics of God that manifest in your heart. The heart is the center of affection that transforms your spirit into His Spirit. Once God's Fruit is in your heart it guides your conduct to live and perform a righteous, holy, and sanctified life. Romans 8:11 states, "But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you."

Romans 8:15-16 reveals when we receive God's Spirit, we are adopted by Him, and our spirit bears witness that we are truly God's children. This adoption grants us an inheritance to the Kingdom of God. The Fruit of the Spirit builds you into a new person with the character of God. Favor will come your way and doors will open to you when you live to walk in the Fruit of the Spirit. Whenever you decide to build a relationship or ministry for the will of God, the Fruit of the Spirit should always be your reference for spiritual maturity. Always remember what our Lord Jesus Christ said in Matthew 13:23 regarding receiving seed (God's word) on good ground, those who hear and understand it will indeed bear fruit and produce- some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. How you grow from God's word gives you the spiritual maturity to flow in God's power. The Holy Spirit was sent to produce God's character in you and lead you according to the fruit God established for your heart and spirit. The Holy Spirit will always lead you to grow in His abilities so that your personality produces the character of God to accomplish His will. As a born-again Christian it is imperative that you accept the Holy Spirit for who He is and what He has been sent to do for you and through you.

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