

Study: Galatians

Text: Galatians 5:22-23

“THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT—WALKING WITH PEACE”

The only way for the believer to have success in the Christian life is by “*walking in the Spirit*”—being dominated by the power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in the life of the believer.

**I. The Flesh and the Spirit (5:16-21)**

We must have our mind saturated and dominated by the person of Jesus Christ.

**II. The Fruit of the Spirit (v. 22-23)**

The “*fruit of the spirit*” is a God empowered *attitude* of the heart that leads to *action* which characterizes the life—it is GODly *attitude* that leads to GODly *action*.

**A. Walking with Love**

This is the love of choice that is deliberate. It is self-sacrificing love that chooses to set aside one’s own wants, seeking the best for others.

Cf. John 13:35

**B. Walking with Joy**

*Joy* is an attitude of the heart that is based upon the Person that lives within me—the Holy Spirit.

**C. Walking with \_\_\_\_\_**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Peace

2. Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_ of Peace

a. In His \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 4:35-41)

b. In His \_\_\_\_\_ (John 14-16; Matthew 11:28-30)

Cf. John 14:1-6 & 26-27; John 16:33

**Jeremiah 6:16** Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, **where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls....**

3. Our \_\_\_\_\_ of Peace

a. Having Peace \_\_\_\_\_ God (Romans 5:1)

Cf. Isaiah 57:20; Romans 5:10; Romans 8:1

Q: Do you have “*peace with God*,” knowing that your sins have been forgiving as you have placed your faith in Christ alone for salvation?

a. Having the Peace \_\_\_\_\_ God (Philippians 4:6-9)

**Corrie Ten Boom** – “Worry does not empty tomorrow of sorrows; it empties today of strength.”

i. The \_\_\_\_\_ that brings Peace (v. 6-7)

(1) The \_\_\_\_\_ for Peace (v. 6)

(a) Our \_\_\_\_\_ in Prayer (v. 6a)

**Psalm 56:3** What time I am afraid, I will trust [*be confident*] in Thee.

Cf. Colossians 3:15-17

(b) Our \_\_\_\_\_ in Prayer (v. 6b)

**James 4:3** Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

**Prayer is not conforming God’s will to my will! Biblical prayer is conforming my will to God’s will.**

(2) The \_\_\_\_\_ of Peace (v. 7)

**The principle is, don’t worry about anything, but pray about everything!**

**Isaiah 26:3** Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose mind is stayed [fixed] on Thee*: because he trusteth in Thee.

ii. The \_\_\_\_\_ that maintains Peace (v. 8-9)

(1) The Principle that \_\_\_\_\_ Peace (v. 8-9a)

(a) Deliberately choose to \_\_\_\_\_ right (v. 8)

**We must deliberately choose to think right. Think on what is *true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and good.***

Cf. 2 Corinthians 10:5

(b) Deliberately choose to \_\_\_\_\_ right (v. 9a)

(2) The Promise of God’s \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 9b)

**Hebrews 13:5-6** Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for **He** hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. **6** So that we may boldly say, The **Lord** is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

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For next week consider “Walking with *Patience*” (Galatians 5:22-23)

Q: According to Colossians 3:12-13 what are Christians supposed to “put on”?

Q: What does 1 Peter 3:20 say about God’s longsuffering?

Q: In 1 Timothy 1:16 Paul says that he “*obtained mercy*,” for what purpose?

Q: In 2 Peter 3:9, we see that God is longsuffering in order for what to take place?

## What Is My Next Step?

**Hearing** — Giving *attention* to God’s Word with the intent to obey it – James 1:21-25

**Doing** — Making *application* of God’s Word to be more like Christ – Eph. 4:22-24

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Text:\_\_\_\_\_ Speaker:\_\_\_\_\_

1. What did God show **me** that **I** must confess and forsake because it does not reflect Christ and hurts **my** relationship with Him and others? (**Put OFF**)
2. What did God show **me** about Himself in this text? (**Renew**)
  - a. What is He like?
  - b. What does He like?
  - c. What does He dislike?
3. What does God say to me in this text? (**Renew**)
  - a. What command to obey?
  - b. What promise to claim?
  - c. What principle to apply (*If I do \_\_\_\_\_, then God will do \_\_\_\_\_*)?
  - d. What example to follow?
4. What verse(s) should **I** memorize and meditate upon through-out this week to help make **my** change lasting? (**Renew**)
5. In light of what **I** have heard from God,... (**Put ON**)
  - a. What character quality of Jesus must **I** demonstrate *with God’s help* this week?
  - b. In what situations will **I** most likely be tempted not to respond in a Christ-like way?
  - c. How can **I** get ready for those situations? (*If I don’t have a plan for change, it probably won’t happen.*)

OUR MISSION: *Passionately Serve God & Compassionately Serve Others—  
ALL to the Glory of GOD*