Fruit of the Spirit



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This book is lovingly dedicated to our precious grandchildren, the joys of our hearts.

It is our prayer that every child who reads this book will know Jesus as their Savior someday and will love and serve Him with all their hearts.

Gia and Grandma
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The Fruit of the Spirit is:

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness,

Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control.

Galations 5:22-23a

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Love

LOVE - God made many kinds of LOVE.

1 John 4:19 says,

"We LOVE God because He first LOVED us." NKJV

Jesus LOVED us enough to die for our sins, so we could be forgiven, and someday live with Him.

At weddings, brides and grooms show their LOVE by making promises to God and to each other.

Parents, brothers and sisters LOVE and show respect to one another in families.

Friends show LOVE by being kind, taking turns and sharing.

"A friend LOVES at all times." Proverbs 17:17 NASB











Joy

JOY - JOY is the happiness that God puts deep within our hearts. We have JOY because Jesus lives in our hearts when we ask Him. We also have JOY because we are loved, and we are forgiven. JOY spills over in our smiles so that other people can be blessed just by looking at our faces! When we thank God for His many blessings, our hearts are filled with JOY.

"A JOYFUL heart is good medicine."
Proverbs 17:22a NASB

"...and let Your godly ones sing for JOY."

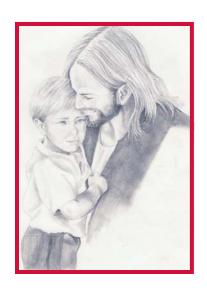
Psalm 132:9 NASB













Peace

PEACE - PEACE is knowing God loves us and cares about us, even when things may be hard in our lives.

PEACE feels like being wrapped up in a cozy blanket when its cold.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and PEACE as you trust in Him..."

Romans 15:13a NASB

Jesus said, "PEACE I leave with you; My PEACE I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you.

Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be afraid."

John 14:27 NASB











Patience

PATIENCE - PATIENCE is waiting for something, and staying calm in our heart while we wait.

We need to be PATIENT as we wait for our turn when playing a game. We need to have PATIENCE with our brothers, sisters, or friends when they are not acting as they should. In that way, God can help us have calm hearts toward others.

"Put on... PATIENCE."
Colossians 3:12b NASB

"Love is PATIENT; love is kind."

1 Corinthians 13:4a NASB













Kindness

KINDNESS - Kindness is treating other people in ways that would only help them and never hurt them.

It pleases God when we are KIND to others and KIND to animals.

"Be KIND to one another." Ephesians 4:32 NASB

"...Put on a heart of compassion (a heart tender towards others), KINDNESS, humility, (strength under control), gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12b NASB

"He has told you, O man, what is good—and what does the Lord require of you, but to do justice and love KINDNESS..." Micah 6:8a NASB













Goodness

GOODNESS - God shows His GOODNESS to us every day, and he always wants His best for us. He gives us families to love. He also gives us a home, food, air to breathe and animals for us to love. All of these show God's GOODNESS to His children! We can show God's GOODNESS by being helpful to others and using kind words to bless them.

"Surely GOODNESS and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life." Psalm 23:6 NASB

"How great is Thy GOODNESS..."

Psalm 31:19a NASB













Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS - FAITHFULNESS is being loyal, always wanting what is good for others. It is doing our best in whatever we do, so that people know they can count on us.

God is always FAITHFUL to His children.
"God is FAITHFUL..." I Corinthians 1:9a NASB

"For the Lord is good, His lovingkindness is everlasting, and His FAITHFULNESS to all generations."

Psalm100:5 NASB

We are to be FAITHFUL to God by reading His Word, obeying it, and praying.

God created dogs to be FAITHFUL friends to us.













Gentleness

GENTLENESS - The word GENTLENESS is like a cousin to the word Kindness. We are to use kind or GENTLE words when we speak to others. We are to do kind deeds for others, and to treat people with respect.

Proverbs 15:1 teaches that speaking with GENTLENESS is the complete opposite of speaking with anger.

"A GENTLE answer turns away wrath (strong anger), but a harsh word stirs up anger." Proverbs 15:1 NASB

"Blessed are the GENTLE, for they shall inherit the earth." Matthew 5:5 NASB







OR





Self-Control

SELF-CONTROL - SELF-CONTROL is holding back from acting in ways that would be selfish or even harmful toward others. We can ask God to help us have SELF-CONTROL when we are in a situation where we feel angry.

"A hot tempered person starts a fight and gets into all kinds of sin." Proverbs 29:22 NLT

People with good sense (SELF-CONTROL) restrain (hold back) their anger."



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"All have sinned." Romans 3:23 NKJV
2. <u>Ask</u> Jesus to save you.
'Whoever will call on the name of the LORD
will be saved." Romans 10:13 NASB
3. <u>Pray</u> like this:
Dear Jesus: "Please forgive me of my sins
and come into my life.
Thank you Jesus, for saving me."
Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through me. John 14:6 NASB

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Fruit of the Spirit



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

Galatians 5:22-23a