

LOVE

JOY

PEACE

Growing the Fruit of the Spirit...

Love, Joy, and Peace produces God's comfort & strength within us.

LOVE

1 John 4:10

"This is real love—not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins"

Galatians 2:20-21

"By faith in Christ, He lives in us. He loves us and gave Himself up for us. Therefore, we strive to life for Him, even as He lives in us"

Romans 5:8

"But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us"

Romans 8:38-39

"And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love"

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life"

1 John 4:7-8

"Dear friends, let us love one another, because love is from God, and everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ The one who does not love does not know God, because God is love."

JOY

Romans 15:13

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 12:12

“Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; be persistent in prayer.”

James 1:2-3

“Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,
³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”

Proverbs 17:22

“A joyful heart is good medicine,
but a broken spirit dries up the bones.”

Nehemiah 8:10

“Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

PEACE

John 14:27

“Peace, I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

John 16:33

“I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

2 Thessalonians 3:16

“Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.”

Isaiah 26:3

“You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.”

Psalm 4:8

“In peace I will lie down and sleep, for You alone, LORD, make me dwell in safety.”

Romans 12:18

“If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.”

Romans 8:6

“The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.”

Father God, I come before Your Holy Throne with praise and thanksgiving for the love, joy and peace that You and You alone provide as I walk on this earth. Father, You displayed Your perfect love by giving me Jesus Christ to take away my sins and restore me from the hurts, traumas and sins of my past. I praise You for this great demonstration of love. By confessing faith in Jesus, He has made His home in my body.

Holy Father, I am convinced that through Jesus, nothing can separate me from Your love. Father You are the ultimate source of love and as I receive Your love let me share that love with those around me. You Father are my source of hope and through Your Holy Spirit I am filled with joy and peace. No matter what I face I will rejoice in the hope I have in You. I will be patient in affliction and persistent in prayer. I chose to consider the trials I face as pure joy for those trials stretch me, strength me, produce perseverance within me, and increase my testimony of Your Glory. I choose today to have a joyful heart for it is Your good medicine to my soul.

I declare that the joy of the Lord is my strength today, tomorrow and the days to come. I thank You Jesus my Lord and Savior for the peace that You have left for me to overcome the trials - I will face. I chose to walk in faith and not in fear. For You Jesus have overcome this world. Thank You that you keep me in perfect peace as I keep my eyes focused on You. I will lay my head at night knowing without a shadow of a doubt that You are my dwelling place and the safety I need in this world. As I submit my soul (mind, will & emotions) to the Your Holy Spirit - my life is guided and empowered to overcome all obstacles. I choose the love, joy and peace of Jesus today and forever more. Amen.

PATIENCE

KINDNESS

GOODNESS

Growing the Fruit of the Spirit...

Patience, Kindness and Goodness help us grow our relationship with others.

PATIENCE

Colossians 3:12-13

“Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. ¹³ Make allowance for each other’s faults and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.”

Romans 12:12

“Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble and keep on praying.”

Romans 8:25

“But if we look forward to something we don’t yet have, we must wait patiently and confidently.”

Ephesians 4:2

“Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other’s faults because of your love.”

Galatians 6:9

“So let’s not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don’t give up.”

KINDNESS

Galatians 6:10

“So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

1 John 3:18

“Dear children, let’s not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.”

Ephesians 4:32

“Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.”

2 Peter 1:5-7

“In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God’s promises. Supplement your faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, and moral excellence with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone.”

Luke 6:35

“Love your enemies! Do good to them. Lend to them without expecting to be repaid. Then your reward from heaven will be very great, and you will truly be acting as children of the Most High, for He is kind to those who are unthankful and wicked.”

1 Peter 3:9

Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God has called you to do, and He will grant you His blessing.

GOODNESS

Romans 12:21

"Don't let evil conquer you but conquer evil by doing good."

Titus 2:11-14

"For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. ¹² And we are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, ¹³ while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed. ¹⁴ He gave His life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us His very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds."

Ephesians 2:10

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago."

Micah 6:8

"No, O people, the Lord has told you what is good and this is what He requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God."

Matthew 5:16

"In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your Heavenly Father."

1 Timothy 6:18b -19

“... They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. ¹⁹By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.”

Holy Father, I come before You with praise and thanksgiving for Your power and guidance in my life. You, Father, are the perfecter of my soul. I ask You Lord to touch my heart and fill me with patience, kindness, and goodness. Thank You, Father, for choosing me to be one of Your holy people and lavishing me with Your love. Clothe me with Your mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience to love, forgive and make allowances for others. Let me never forget the forgiveness you gave me and the ability to forgive those who have hurt me. Let me never tire from doing what is good and maintain confidence that at the right time I will receive what I sowed. So, may every thought, word and action in my life reflect the image of Your Son and my redeemer, Christ Jesus.

May I take every opportunity to do good for everyone You place in my path. Let me not just say that I love but take action to display that love – just as You continually display Your love to me. Supplement my faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, knowledge, self-control, patient endurance, godliness, and brotherly affection with love for everyone. Give me a new heart for my enemies to bless them and not curse them. Help me never retaliate evil for evil but place my offender in Your hands because You alone Lord are the judge. I Thank You that You grant blessings to those who live out your decrees.

Help me to always conquer evil by doing good. May Your Holy Spirit always remind me and strengthen me to live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, fulfilling the God given inheritance of victory through Christ Jesus. Fill me with mercy and humility to walk justly in every way and may the good

deeds that follow me reveal the Glory of life with You. May the treasures of my life be established in heaven and not of this earth. May my witness of patience, kindness, and goodness establish healthy relationships and draw people closer to You. In Jesus Name. Amen.

FAITHFULNESS

GENTLENESS

SELF -

CONTROL

Growing the Fruit of the Spirit...

Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control helps us become more like Jesus.

FAITHFULNESS

Hebrews 3:2

“For He was faithful to God, who appointed Him, just as Moses served faithfully when he was entrusted with God’s entire house.”

1 Corinthians 4:2

“Now, a person who is put in charge as a manager must be faithful.

Matthew 24:45

“A faithful, sensible servant is one to whom the master can give the responsibility of managing his other household servants and feeding them.”

Matthew 25:21

“The master was full of praise. ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’”

Revelation 17:14

“the Lamb will defeat them (the enemy) because He is Lord of all lords and King of all kings. And His called, chosen, and faithful ones will be with Him.”

GENTLENESS

Colossians 3:12

“Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.”

1 Peter 3:15

“Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it.”

Titus 3:2

“They must not slander anyone and must avoid quarreling. Instead, they should be gentle and show true humility to everyone.”

1 Corinthians 4:21

“Which do you choose? Should I come with a rod to punish you, or should I come with love and a gentle spirit?”

1 Timothy 6:11b

“... Pursue righteousness and a godly life, along with faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness.”

1 Peter 3:4

“You should clothe yourselves instead with the beauty that comes from within, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is so precious to God.”

SELF-CONTROL

2 Timothy 1:7

For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.

1 Corinthians 9:25

All athletes are disciplined in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize.

1 Corinthians 10:13

The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, He will show you a way out so that you can endure.

2 Peter 1:3-11

By His divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know Him, the One who called us to himself by means of His marvelous glory and excellence. ⁴ And because of His glory and excellence, He has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share His divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires.

⁵ In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God's promises. Supplement your faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, and moral excellence with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone.

⁸ The more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But those who fail to develop in this way are shortsighted or blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their old sins.

¹⁰ So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away. ¹¹ Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Father God, I praise You for Your infinite love for me and Your desire to lead me on the path of righteousness. I thank You that You gave Your precious Son to be an example of how to love like You love.

Father, I desire to walk in the faithfulness of Jesus, I pray to be in line with the Holy Spirit hearing and obeying every action of love You desire me to display to others and build Your Kingdom here on earth. May I always be a sensible and responsible witness using the gifts You have blessed me with to bring Glory to Your name. As I remain faithful in the little things I pray that You would look at me and say “Well done, my good and faithful servant” allowing me to have more favor for Your Kingdom purposes.

I am grateful that You chose me to be one of Your holy people, as I worship You and Christ with my entire being help me to remain humble, kind, and gentle in my witness – ready to explain the reason for my hope as Your child. Lord, let me not be a bulldozer but a gentle spirit pursuing a righteous and godly life.

May I always remember that You have given me a spirit of power, love and self-discipline. Christ in me has given me power over the enemy who tries to entangle me with his deception and temptation. And no matter what the enemy throws my way; I have a way out by the power of Holy Spirit alive in me. By Your divine power I have everything I need to live a godly life and reflect the heart of Jesus.

I thank You that Your Word is filled with promises and wisdom to escape the world’s corruption. As I continue in Your Word, You continuously supplement my faith with moral excellence, knowledge, self-control, patience, godliness, and love for others and as I grow in these areas I become more like Jesus and become more productive and useful for Your Kingdom purposes.

I desire more of You and less of me Jesus. Amen!