

Col. 3:12 Eph. 4:32
II Tim. 2:24 Titus 3:12
James 3:17

VI. GOODNESS - Definition: The ability, attitude and action of being generous; a desire (nature) to bless and prosper.

II Thess. 1:11 Acts 10:38
Gal. 6:10 James 4:17

VII. FAITH (FAITHFULNESS) Definition:

- Firm fidelity (devotion), allegiance to whom one is bound by any tie, true, binding, trustworthy.
- Whole hearted confidence, assurance, trust reliance in God and all that He says.
- Belief and trust to an extent an individual is willing to act or live. Faithfulness then is a lifestyle of believing, trusting and acting.

Mark 11:22-25
Hab. 2:4 Rm. 1:17
Heb. 10:38
(the just shall live by faith)

Heb. 11:6
Mark 9:23
II Tim. 4:7-8
Matt. 25:23

VIII. MEEKNESS - Definition: disposition to be gentle, humility (seeing yourself in Christ and through God's perspective), merciful, free from self, submissive, not easily provoked, "meekness isn't weakness".

Matt. 5:5
Psalm 147:6
Psalm 25:9
Psalm 149:4
Isaiah 29:19

IX. TEMPERANCE - Definition: Self control of human desires, control over the whole man, habitual moderation, self restraint, submissive yielding.

II Peter 1:6
I Cor. 9:25
James 1:21
I Tim. 6:11
Matt. 11:29

The Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:21-23
*"But the fruit of the Spirit
is love, joy, peace
longsuffering, gentleness,
goodness, faith,
meekness, temperance:
against such there is no law.*

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When we believed in our heart that Christ was raised from the dead and accepted Him as Lord, there was something supernatural that took place. First, the old man died, with it, sin nature and spiritual death (separation from God).

In its place, we became born again, a new spiritual man. Instead of a sin nature, God imparted a divine nature, His character in the heart of a believer. God's desire is that through His Word and the Holy Spirit we would live out our life demonstrating this divine nature (character) in our family, work place, church and market place. It's important that we identify with and acknowledge that which is imparted in us so that we can become effectual, bear fruit and be successful.

It's important to keep the Word before our eyes, what departs from the eyes departs from the heart. This brochure is a quick guide and reference to accomplish this.

I. **LOVE** - (Greek - Agape, Divine love)
John 14:6 says God is love. To define love, we would have to define God, and how can man, being finite in thinking, define and infinite God? The best we can do is demonstrate God's love to the world. Love's greatest expression is unconditional forgiveness and acceptance.

I Peter 4:8 John 15:9
John 14:23 Romans 5:5
I John 3:1

II. **JOY** - Definition: gladness, rejoicing, a deep-seated sense of well being, which no outside circumstance can alter.

John 16:24 Acts 20:24
Psalm 16:11
The joy of the Lord is our strength.

III. **PEACE** - Definition: Inward stability (calm), a state of quietness and rest, harmony, order, security in the midst of turmoil. Peace ultimately is putting your life in the hands of God. It's your confidence in the ability of God, not in your ability.

Col. 1:20
John 16:33
John 14:27
Psalm 8:6
Col. 3:15

IV. **LONG SUFFERING** - Definition: Patience, a patient endurance of provocation and trial. The ability to remain in the purpose, plan and promise of God under provoking and trial.

Hebrews 10:35-36
Romans 5:3-5
Romans 8:25
Romans 15:4
James 1:3-5
Hebrews 12:1-2

V. **KINDNESS (GENTLENESS)**

Definition -

- Giving or doing your best when it's not deserved
- choosing to consistently do the right thing in relationships with others.
- Soft spoken, being thoughtful, considerate and calm as we deal with others.