



## **The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit - Part 15**

### **Title: The fruit of the Spirit.**



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## **Introduction:**

We now come to the eleventh and final recorded ministry performed by the Holy Spirit of God. In a very real sense it best demonstrates his ultimate goal here on earth, namely, to bear fruit for Christ through believers.

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## **Rom. 7:4 KJV:**

4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

## **Col. 1:10 KJV:**

10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

## **1. THE COMMANDS TO BEAR FRUIT.**

**A. God desires his new creation to do the same as he ordered his old creation to do.**

**Gen. 1:28 KJV:**

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

**B. God desires the believer to fulfill the prophecy concerning Joseph.**

**Gen. 49:22 NIV:**

22 “Joseph is a fruitful vine,  
a fruitful vine near a spring,  
whose branches climb over a wall.



## **C. God desires his children to experience the blessings of Psalm 1.**

### **Ps. 1:3 NIV:**

3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers.

## **D. God desires his children of light to function today as his tree of life will function in eternity.**

### **Rev. 22:1-2 NIV:**

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1 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb

2 down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.



## **2. The prerequisites for bearing fruit.**

**One must die to this world.**

**Jn. 12:24 NIV:**

**24 Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.**

**One must abide in the savior.**

**Jn. 15:1-5 NIV:**

**1 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.**

**2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.**

**3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.**

**4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.**

**5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.**

**Jn. 15:16 NIV:**

**16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.**

**In the Old Testament the nation Israel was God's chosen vessel.**

**Ps. 80:8 NIV:**

8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt:  
thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

**But Israel refused to bear fruit.**

**Hos. 10:1 NIV:**

1 Israel is an empty vine, he bringeth forth fruit unto himself:  
according to the multitude of his fruit he hath increased the altars;  
according to the goodness of his land they have made goodly  
images.



**Thus, that nation was eventually set aside by Jesus.**

**Mt. 21:43 NIV:**

**43 Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.**

**In the Gospels, Christ was God's chosen vessel while he was on this earth.**

**Jn. 15:1 NIV:**

**"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.**

**Isa. 11:1 NIV:**

**1 A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;  
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.**



Jesus told his disciples they were to be branches. The only useful function of a branch is to bear fruit. A branch does not produce fruit, it simply bears it.

### 3. The two kinds of fruit.

#### A. Outer Fruit: soul winning.

Jn. 4:35-36 NIV:

**35 Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. 36 Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together.**

### **Rom. 1:13 NIV:**

13 I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now) in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

### **Prov. 11:30 NIV:**

30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and the one who is wise saves lives.

## **B. Inner fruit: Christlikeness.**

### **Gal. 5:22-23 NIV:**

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

### **Eph. 5:9 KJV:**

9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

**It should be noted. That the word fruit in both of these passages is in the singular. Paul does not say “ the fruits of the Spirit are” but rather, “ the fruit of the Spirit is.” The reason is this: all the fruit of the Spirit, unlike all the gifts of the Spirit, are to be possessed by every believer**

### **3. The deity of the Holy Spirit.**



#### **A. He is omnipresent.**

**Ps. 139:7 KJV:**

7 Whither shall I go from thy spirit?  
or whither shall I flee from thy presence?

**Here David acknowledges that it's impossible to elude the Holy Spirit.**

**He is omniscient.**

**1 Cor. 2:10-11 NLT:**

10 But it was to us that God revealed these things by his Spirit. For his Spirit searches out everything and shows us God's deep secrets.

11 No one can know a person's thoughts except that person's own spirit, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit.

**He is Omnipotent.**

**Gen. 1:2 KJV:**

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

**He is called God.**

**Acts 5:3-4 NLT:**

3 Then Peter said, "Ananias, why have you let Satan fill your heart? You lied to the Holy Spirit, and you kept some of the money for yourself.

4 The property was yours to sell or not sell, as you wished. And after selling it, the money was also yours to give away. How could you do a thing like this? You weren't lying to us but to God!"

**He is equal with the Father and the Son.**

**As seen in the Baptismal experience of Christ.**

**Mt. 4:1-7 NLT:**

### **The Temptation of Jesus**

1 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil.

2 For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry.

3 During that time the devil came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread.”

4 But Jesus told him, “**No! The Scriptures say, ‘People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”**

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple,



6 and said, “If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say,  
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**As declared by Jesus in the upper room.**

**Jn. 14:16 NLT:**

**16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you.**

**Jn. 14:26 NLT:**

**26 But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.**

**Jn. 15:26 NLT:**

**26 “But I will send you the Advocate—the Spirit of truth. He will come to you from the Father and will testify all about me.**

**As declared by Paul.**

**Eph. 2:18 NLT:**

18 Now all of us can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.

**2 Cor. 13:14 NLT:**

14 May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**As declared by Peter.**

**1 Pet. 1:2 NLT:**

2 God the Father knew you and chose you long ago, and his Spirit has made you holy. As a result, you have obeyed him and have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ. May God give you more and more grace and peace.

## **1 Pet. 4:14 NLT:**

14 If you are insulted because you bear the name of Christ, you will be blessed, for the glorious Spirit of God rests upon you.

## **As declared by the book of Acts.**

### **Acts 2:33 NLT:**

33 Now he is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as he had promised, gave him the Holy Spirit to pour out upon us, just as you see and hear today.

## **As declared by Jesus on the Mt. of Olives.**

### **Mt. 28:19-20 NLT:**

**19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.**

**20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."**

## 4. The eleven fruits of the Spirit.

### Love.

#### Col. 3:14 NLT:

14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.

### Joy.

#### Gal. 5:22 NLT:

22 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

#### Rom. 14:17 NLT:

17 For the Kingdom of God is not a matter of what we eat or drink, but of living a life of goodness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.



**There are two kinds of peace:**

**Peace with God.**

**Rom. 5:1 NLT:**

**Faith Brings Joy**

1 Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

**This peace is positional peace and includes all believers at the moment of their salvation.**

**The peace of God.**

**Phil. 4:7 NLT:**

7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

**This peace is experienced, and includes only those believers who are filled with God's Spirit. It can be defined as reassurance in tribulation.**



**Longsuffering: the ability to cheerfully bear an unbearable situation and to patiently endure the endurable.**

**2 Cor. 6:6 KJV:**

6 By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,

**Rom. 2:4 NIV:**

4 Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance?

**Gentleness: a quiet and respectful kindness.**

**Titus 3:2 NIV:**

2 to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and always to be gentle toward everyone.

**2 Tim. 2:24 NIV:**

24 And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful.



## **Faith.**

### **Gal. 2:20 NIV:**

20 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

### **Gal. 3:11 NIV:**

11 Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because “the righteous will live by faith.”



**Righteousness: right acts; going the appointed mile.**

**Phil. 1:11 NIV:**

11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

**Heb. 12:11 NIV:**

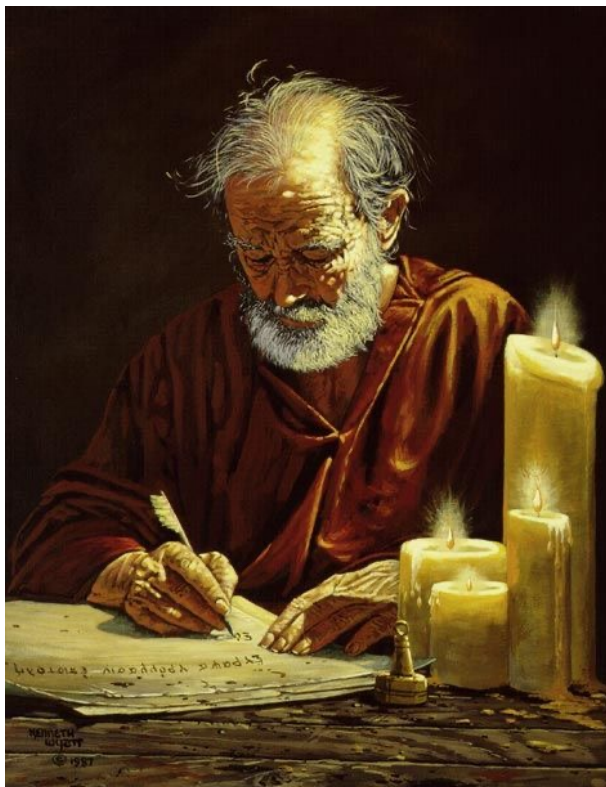
11 No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

**Goodness: wholesome acts; going the extra mile.**

**Mt. 5:41 NLT:**

**1 If a soldier demands that you carry his gear for a mile, carry it two miles.**

**Meekness: subdued strength.**



**A.** The Apostle Paul used this method in dealing with the Corinthian church.

**1 Cor. 4:21 NLT:**

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

## **B. This is the method to be used by spiritual people in restoring a back-slider.**

### **Col. 3:12-13 NLT:**

12 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.

### **Gal. 6:1 NLT:**

#### **We Harvest What We Plant**

1 Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself.

## **C. It is to be used to keep unity within the church.**

### **Eph. 4:2-3 NLT:**

2 Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. 3 Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace.

**It is the method to be used in dealing with all men.**

**2 Tim. 2:24-25 NLT:**

24 A servant of the Lord must not quarrel but must be kind to everyone, be able to teach, and be patient with difficult people.

25 Gently instruct those who oppose the truth. Perhaps God will change those people's hearts, and they will learn the truth.

**Titus 3:2 NLT:**

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

**Temperance: self-control. The great New Testament example of this is the Apostle Paul.**

**1 Cor. 9:19-27 NLT:**

19 Even though I am a free man with no master, I have become a slave to all people to bring many to Christ.

20 When I was with the Jews, I lived like a Jew to bring the Jews to Christ. When I was with those who follow the Jewish law, I too lived under that law. Even though I am not subject to the law, I did this so I could bring to Christ those who are under the law.

21 When I am with the Gentiles who do not follow the Jewish law, I too live apart from that law so I can bring them to Christ. But I do not ignore the law of God; I obey the law of Christ.

22 When I am with those who are weak, I share their weakness, for I want to bring the weak to Christ. Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some.

23 I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings.

24 Don't you realize that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize? So run to win!

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.

26 So I run with purpose in every step. I am not just shadowboxing.

27 I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified.



**Truth: living an open life, without guile and hypocrisy.**

**2 Cor. 4: 1-2 NLT:**

### **Treasure in Fragile Clay Jars**

1 Therefore, since God in his mercy has given us this new way, we never give up.

2 We reject all shameful deeds and underhanded methods. We don't try to trick anyone or distort the word of God. We tell the truth before God, and all who are honest know this.

## **How do I ask Jesus to come into my life?**



## **How do we get right with God, regardless of my sins?**

Lord Jesus, I ask You to please come into my life, and to forgive me of all my sins, and I ask You to become my Lord and Savior, from this day forward.

Friends, if you prayed that prayer, I believe that you are born again, and that you have been made a new creation in Christ Jesus, and that ALL of your sins have been forgiven, and that you have Eternal life with our father in Heaven.

## **For Jesus Says to all of us: Jn.14:6 NIV:**

**6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.**

I encourage You, to get in a good bible teaching church, so that you may grow in Christ Jesus, so that HE may use you to preach and teach, the Good News!

In, Jesus Mighty Name!

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