

Fruit of the Spirit

Key verses

“I am the wine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; a part from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. This is to my father’s glory that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples”- John 15:5-8

Discovery Question:

1. Who is speaking to whom actually in the above given Scripture verses?
2. What is the much fruit he is speaking about? How can you justify?
3. How to bear the kind of fruit he is expecting from his disciples? What are the prerequisites (processes, methods and commandments) involved?
4. What will happen to the branches that do not bear fruit at all? Why? What does it mean?
5. Who are the branches here? What will happen to people who claim to be Disciples of Christ but do not bear Christ-intended and commanded fruit?

Set-1 Abide in Christ to bear much fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22 Matt 3:8; 21:43; Jude 12; John 4:35-36;
Rom1:13, Proverbs 11:30 Ephesians 5:9

1. How do the false and true teachers are distinguished? On what basis teachers or prophets are to be distinguished?
2. What does it mean by the fruit of repentance?
3. What does it mean by the fruit of righteousness?
4. What does it mean to you by the fruit of the Spirit?
5. What are the two kinds of the fruit?(John 4:35-36; Rom1:13, Prov 11:30Eph 5:9)

Set-2 Names and titles of the Holy Spirit

I Corinthians 3:16 Romans 1:4, 8:2, 9, 15 Hebrews 9:14, 10:29
John 16:13 I Peter 4:14 Ephesians 1:17
John 14:26 Acts 1:4, 5 II Corinthians 4:13

1. What are the names and titles ascribed to the Holy Spirit in the above given Scripture passages?
2. What does these names and titles teach us about the nature/ Character of Holy Spirit?
3. What should be our attitude toward Holy Spirit?
4. How to grow in the nature of Holy Spirit?

Set-3 God, Almighty commanded us to bear fruit

Genesis 1:28, John 12:23-25, 15:1-5, 16, Psalm 1:1-3 Matthew 21:43

1. What are the commandments and desires of God regarding His children?(Genesis 1:28)
2. What are the prerequisites for bearing the God-intended fruit?(John 12:23-24, 15:1-5, 16, Psalm 1:1-3)
3. Unless a grain of wheat fall into the earth and dies it remains alone but if it dies it bears much fruit” what exactly Jesus is trying to teach his disciples through this illustration? (John 12:23-25)
4. From whom the Kingdom of God will be taken away? Why? To whom it will be given? (Matthew 21:43)
5. What is the kind of fruit that Jesus is talking about actually? (John 15:1-5,16)

Set-4 The Characteristics of the Fruit of the Spirit

**Colossians 1:6, 10,3:12-14 Galatians 5:22-23 Romans 6:22,
Philippians 1:11 Hosea 14:8 Isaiah 11:2-3**

Matthew 3:8, Luke 3:8

1. What exactly God is commanding his people with respect to bearing the fruit?((Colossians 1:6,10)
2. Which kind of fruit is mentioned in Philippians 1:11?
3. What is the fruit one gets by becoming slaves to God? (Romans 6:22)
4. Who produces the fruit in us? (Hosea 14:8)
5. “Produce fruit in keeping with repentance” what does it mean to you? What is the fruit of repentance? (Matthew 3:8, Luke 3:8)
6. What are the characteristics of the fruit of the Spirit mentioned in Galatians 5:22-23, Isaiah 11:2-3, Colossians 3:12-14?

Application Journal

Use the space below to record your SHARPening activity

Simple –a short activity that can easily be completed this week

Hands-on –an action that goes beyond personal reading and reflection

Additional – a new undertaking, one you are not already doing

Realistic – a commitment that fits into your other priorities

Purposeful –A response of loving obedience to God that reflects His concerns for people and that points them toward His goodness
