

THE FRUIT OF GOD'S SPIRIT:

The results of
allowing God
to be God in me

What is God like?

- What does He want to change in me?

What is He wanting to import into me?

Love

- to be inclined toward, to assign worth to, to desire to do good toward the object of love.

- This type of love has a distinct moral significance, and not associated with base inclination to “use” the object of love, but to give good to the object of love. (Vincent)

Joy

- ***gladness of heart***

- Pertains to motive and ability to cope with life and conflict The Christian definition of **joy** has a constant property. It can be temporarily subdued by grief or shock, or fear or sin, but nevertheless it is, or should be, something that abides in the life of the believer.

Peace

- God's faithfulness and goodness is our peace
- Pertains to security and stability — I have peace when I am not uncertain or in doubt
- God is my assurance

Longsuffering

Long-tempered or
long-patient

I Cor 13:4 "Love suffers long
and is kind"

Gentleness

a form of the word “grace”- kind, gracious

Kindness is loving affection, sympathy, friendliness, patience, pleasantness, gentleness and goodness. It is a quality shown in the way a person speaks and acts. It is more volitional than emotional.” (Tyndale Bible Dictionary)

Goodness

“There is none good but God”

Imputed-- Imparted

God begins to count us worthy in Christ before the process is completed in Christ (Ro 8:29).
But God will see it through

Faith- trusting God

- **Faith the starting point and faith the goal** (Rom 1:17)
- Faith is the “gate” of salvation
- Faith is the ongoing fruit of the Spirit
- Col. 2:6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:

Meekness

- is described as a combination of humility and gentleness produced in those who yield to the sovereignty of God

Temperance

Self-control

“Power over”

Rom 6:16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?