

No Ordinary Fruit

Series: The Holy Spirit

7.16.17 – New Life Church

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I. Kindness.

Romans 2:4 (NIV) *Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?*

II. Goodness.

III. Faithfulness.

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1 John 1:9 (NIV) *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

IV. Gentleness.

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- B. Channeled.
- C. Gentle.

Matthew 11:29 (NLT) *Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

Galatians 6:1 (NLT) *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....*

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1 Corinthians 9:24-25 (NLT) *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 (have self-control) in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize.*

Reading for Next Week: Gifts of the Spirit.

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