

“MY ONE WORD”

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Galatians 5:22-23 (NET)

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

Fruit is the result of ABIDING, not ACHIEVING.

Fruit is never FORCED. Fruit is FORMED.

John 15:4 (LSB)

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit from itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me.

Galatians 5:24 (NIV)

Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Psalms 1:3 (NIV)

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

RESOLUTION #1:

“I will abide DEEPER”, not “I will try HARDER.”

The Spirit forms our CHARACTER before He changes our CIRCUMSTANCES.

Romans 5:3-4 (ESV)

Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,

James 1:2-3 (NIV)

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.

The fruit of the Spirit is not about how we FEEL—it’s about who we’re BECOMING.

2 Corinthians 3:18 (EHV)

But all of us who reflect the Lord's glory . . . are being transformed into His own image, from one degree of glory to another. This too is from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

A Spirit-filled life doesn't just change us; it becomes a LIVING TESTIMONY of God's presence in the world around us.

John 15:8 (ESV)

By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be My disciples.

In a world marked by impatience, harshness, and self-interest, Spirit-formed lives STAND OUT.

Matthew 5:14-16 (ESV)

"You are the light of the world. . . let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

Philippians 1:11 (NIRV)

You will be filled with the fruit of right living produced by Jesus Christ. All these things bring glory and praise to God.

A life that truly FLOURISHES is not built on fleeting resolutions or sheer willpower—it is CULTIVATED in the Spirit.