

Fruits of the Spirit



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*How to Tell if Your
Fruit is Ripe*



Galatians 5:1-26

Christ has liberated us into freedom. Therefore stand firm and don't submit again to a yoke of slavery. Take note! I, Paul, tell you that if you get circumcised, Christ will not benefit you at all. Again I testify to every man who gets circumcised that he is obligated to keep the entire law. You who are trying to be justified by the law are alienated from Christ; you have

fallen from grace! For by the Spirit we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness from faith.

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision accomplishes anything; what matters is faith working through love. You were running well. Who prevented you from obeying the truth? This persuasion did not come from Him who called you. A little yeast leavens the

whole lump of dough. In the Lord I have confidence in you that you will not accept any other view. But whoever it is who is troubling you will pay the penalty. Now brothers, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted?

In that case the offense of the cross has been abolished. I wish those who are disturbing you might also get themselves castrated!

For you are called to freedom, brothers; only don't use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but serve one another through love. For the entire law is fulfilled in one statement: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. But if you bite and devour one another, watch out, or you will be consumed by one another. I say then, walk by the Spirit and you will not carry

out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you don't do what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, strife,

jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambitions,
dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness,
carousing, and anything similar, about which I
tell you in advance—as I told you before—that
those who practice such things will not inherit
the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faith, gentleness, self-control.

Against such things there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, we must also follow the Spirit. We must not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

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Is It Free? (v.1)

Whose NATURE was this born out of?

Christ's Mission STATEMENT: Isaiah 61:1-2
& Luke 4:16-21

Christ's Mission _____ : Revelation 1:4-6

He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. As usual, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up to read. The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to Him, and unrolling the scroll, He found the place where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is on Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good news to the poor.*

He has sent Me to proclaim freedom to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

And the eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fixed on Him.

He began by saying to them, “Today as you listen, this Scripture has been fulfilled.”

Is It Free? (v.1)

Whose **NATURE** was this born out of?

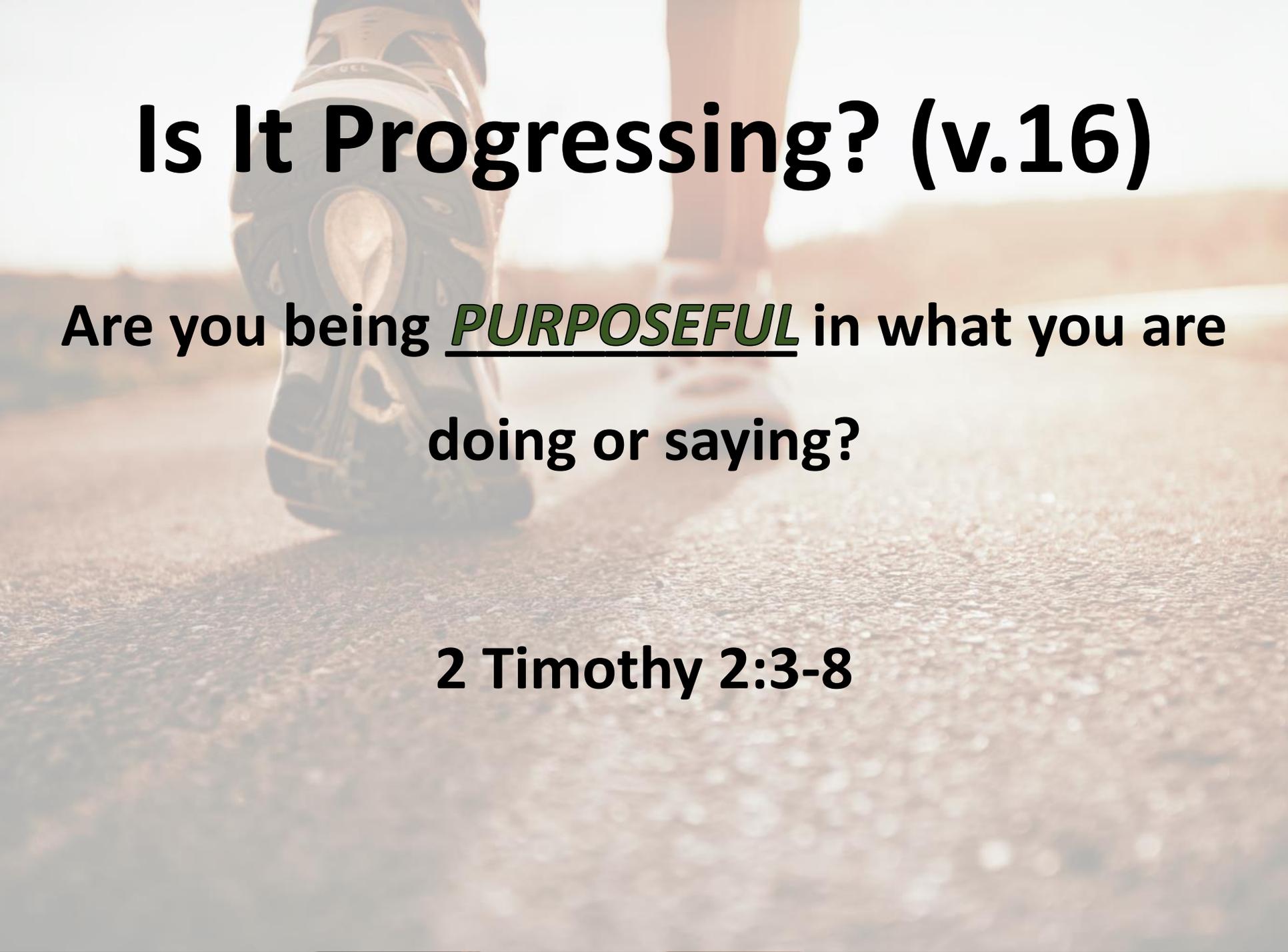
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Christ's Mission **OUTCOME** : Revelation 1:4-6

John: To the seven churches in the province of Asia. Grace and peace to you from the One who is, who was, and who is coming; from the seven spirits before His throne; and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and has set us free from our sins by His blood, and made us a

kingdom, priests to His God and Father—to
Him be the glory and dominion forever and
ever. Amen.

A person's feet in running shoes are shown in a low-angle shot on a paved path. The background is a bright, hazy sky, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The overall tone is warm and motivational.

Is It Progressing? (v.16)

Are you being *PURPOSEFUL* in what you are
doing or saying?

2 Timothy 2:3-8

Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. To please the recruiter, no one serving as a soldier gets entangled in the concerns of everyday life. Also, if anyone competes as an athlete, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hardworking farmer who ought to be the first to get a share of the crops. Consider what I say, for the Lord

will give you understanding in everything.

Keep in mind Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,
descended from David, according to my
gospel.

Where is the Orchard? (v.16, 24-26)

The DEFINITION of insanity

Source MATTERS

James 3:11-12

Does a spring pour out sweet and bitter water from the same opening? Can a fig tree produce olives, my brothers, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a saltwater spring yield fresh water.

Who Benefits? (v.12-15)

Does it satisfy God's sense of JUSTICE or our own?

Do I gain at the EXPENSE of others?

Do I gain at the BENEFIT of others?

What are the Benefits? (v.2, 16-17)

Keeps the DESIRES of the FLESH from being
“completed or finished” in us (v.16)

Ownership & participation in the KINGDOM
of God (v.21)

Is it Obviously Rotten?
(v.19-21)



What about You?

What kind of fruit do you have?

How ripe is your fruit?