

The Sweet Life Pt. 5

The Triangle of Strength

Crossroads LifeGroup Discussion Guide

for the week of 4/13/2019

CONNECTION

[1] What Fruit of the Spirt would you like to see grow the most in your life? Why?

OBSERVATION & INTERPRETATION

- [2] What might be the impact on those closest to us if we could allow the Fruit of the Spirit to permeate our relationships? Conflicts?
- [3] How about our witness to unbelievers and those who have a negative view of Christians (See John 13:34-35 NIV, 1 Peter 3:14-16 NIV)?

APPLICATION

- [4] How does distrust counteract faithfulness? Where can you give God more faithfulness so you can fully realize that He is in control of your life and situation so you can fully trust Him?
- [5] Read Hebrews 12:1-2. Jesus exercised faithfulness while facing the cross before he experienced the joy of completing His mission of salvation. Where do you need "forward-looking joy" to maintain your faithfulness in a situation that requires both perseverance and sacrifice?
- [6] What is the connection between gentleness and grace?
- [7] How does God's gentleness towards you affect the way you go about life and get things done? Help others who are struggling?

REFLECTION

How might a lack of self-control keep you from fulfilling God's plan for your life? Think though the steps you need to take to put self-control into action in a specific area or situation. How can you place safe guards against the areas you are weak in? Or how can you avoid situations, things, and certain people and places that may cause you to lose control? What words of life and truth need to be spoken into this situation?