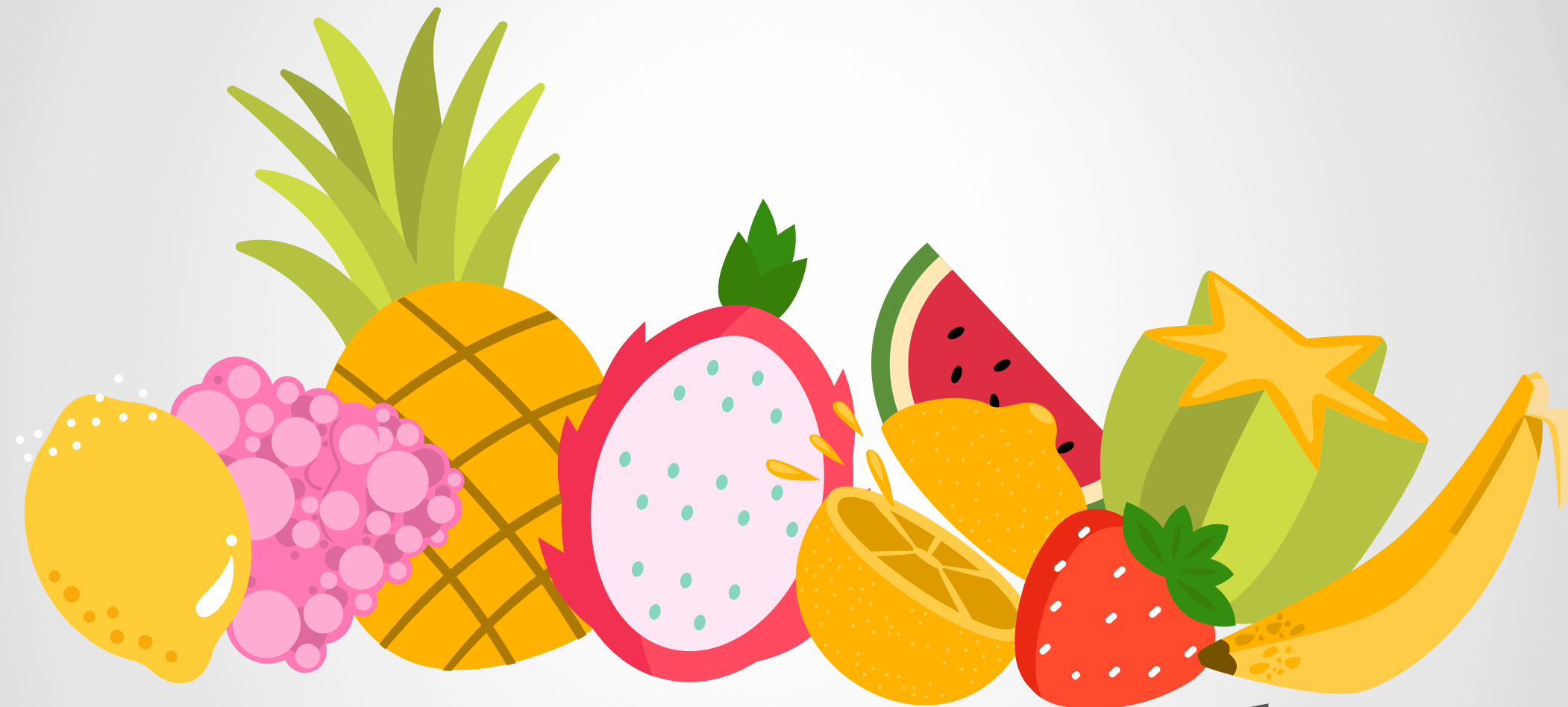


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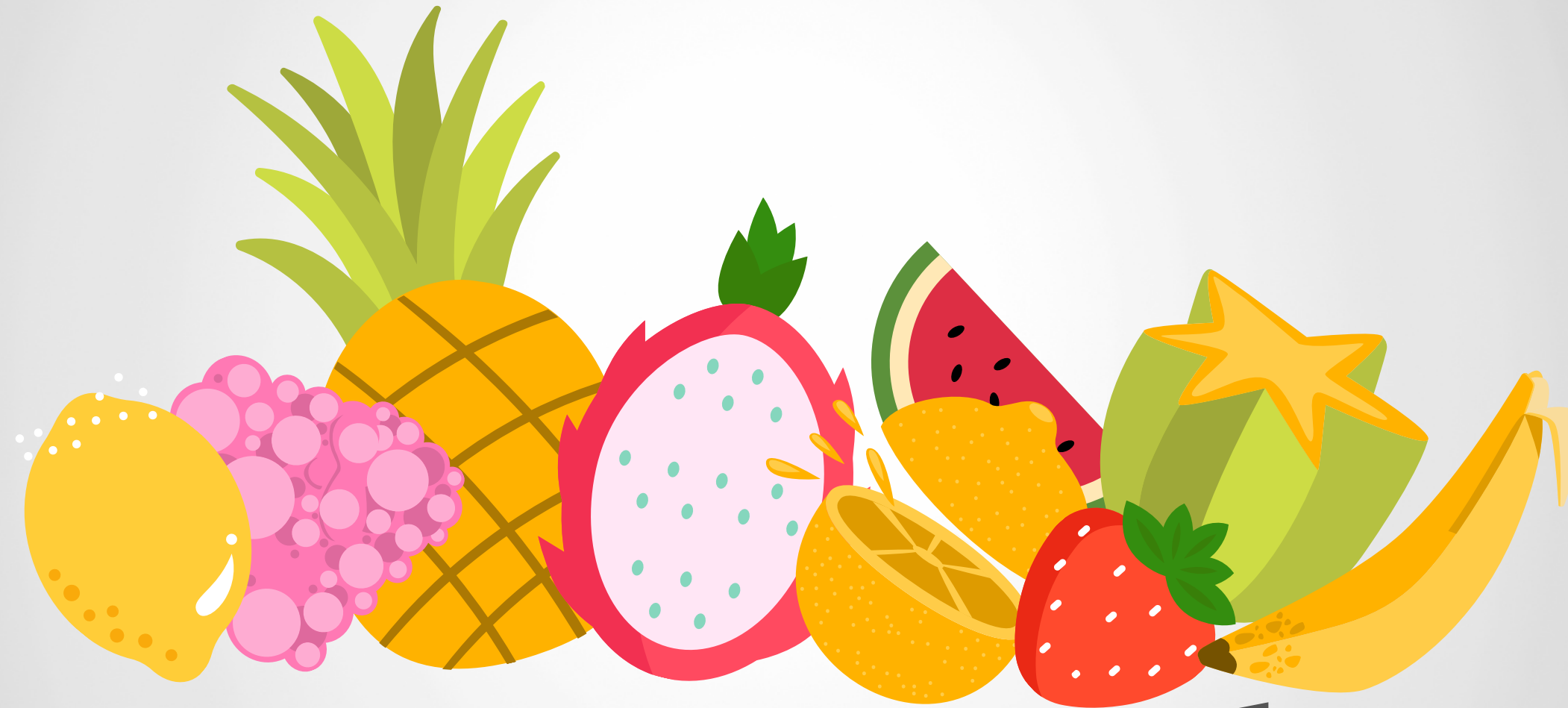
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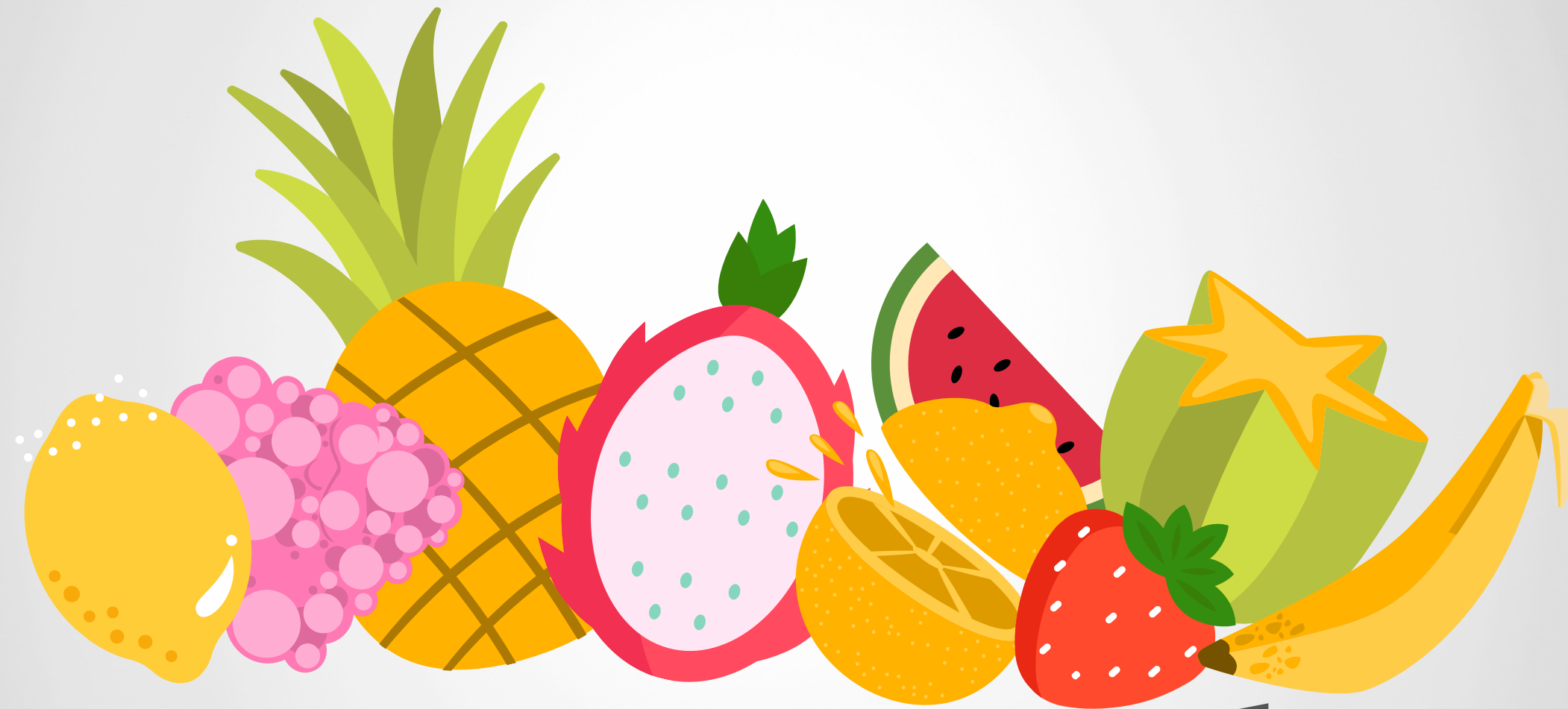
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08/13/2023 | LOVE, JOY, & PEACE



# Nine Words

08/20/2023 | PATIENCE, KINDNESS, & GENEROSITY

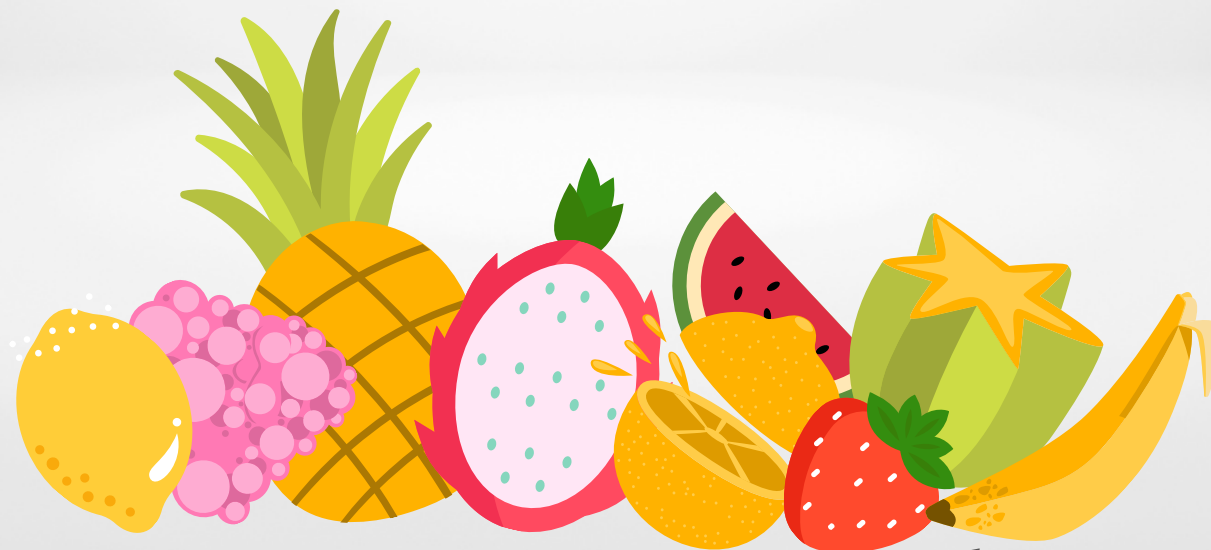


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08/27/2023 | FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, AND SELF CONTROL

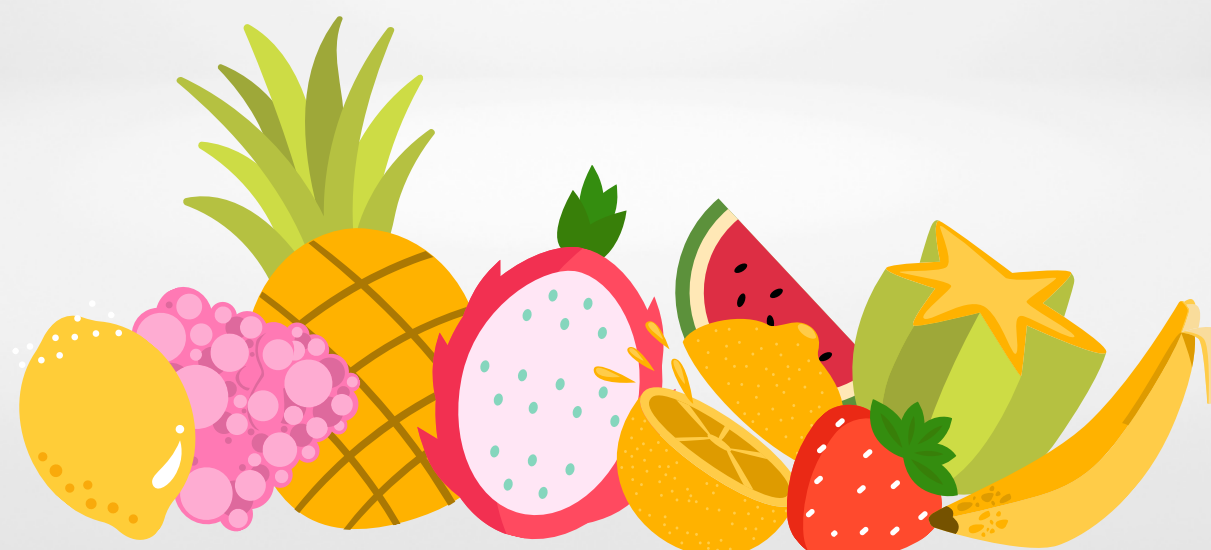
**22 BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE,  
JOY, PEACE, FORBEARANCE, KINDNESS,  
GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, 23 GENTLENESS  
AND SELF-CONTROL. AGAINST SUCH THINGS  
THERE IS NO LAW.**

**(GALATIANS 5:22-23, NIV)**



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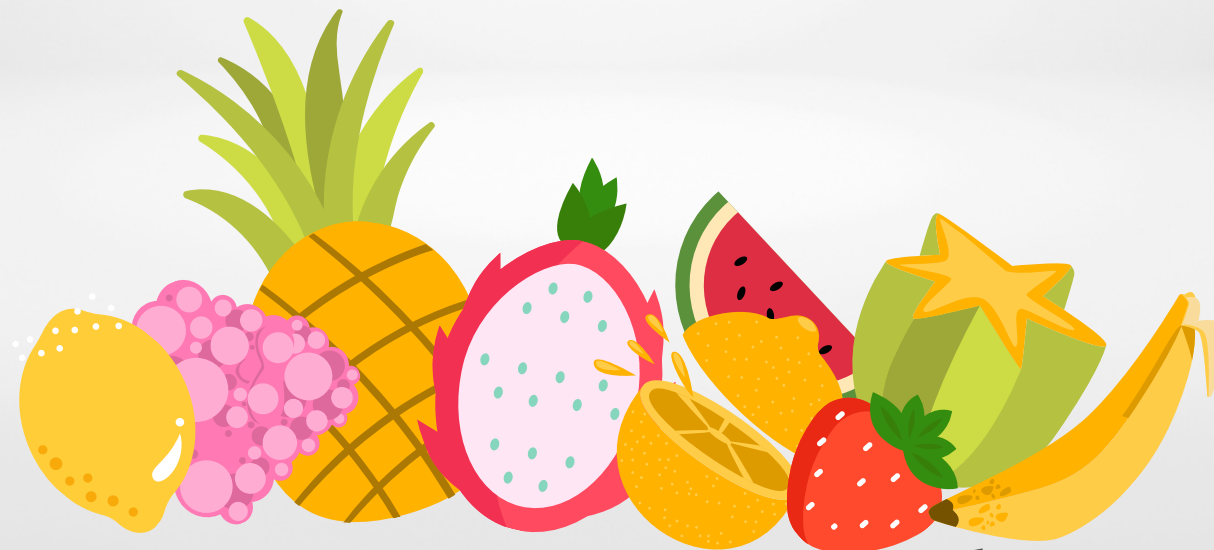
**THE FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE  
RESULT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S  
PRESENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN.**



**Nine Words**

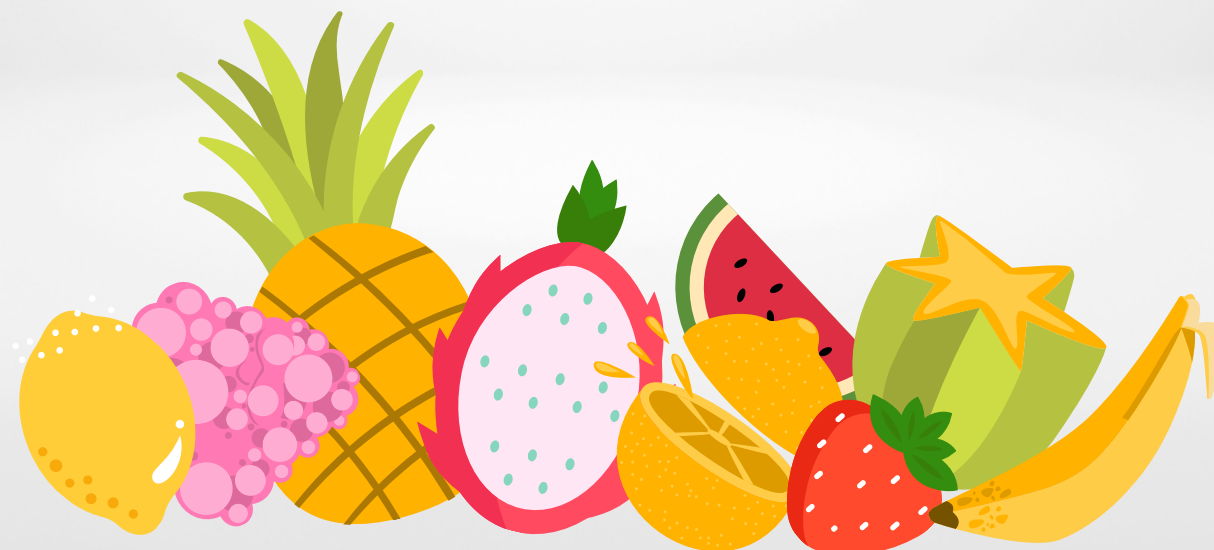
**“BUT WHEN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST  
EMPOWERS YOUR LIFE, YOU ARE NOT  
DOMINATED BY THE FLESH BUT BY THE  
SPIRIT. AND IF YOU ARE NOT JOINED TO  
THE SPIRIT OF THE ANOINTED ONE, YOU  
ARE NOT OF HIM.”**

**(ROMANS 8:9, TPT)**



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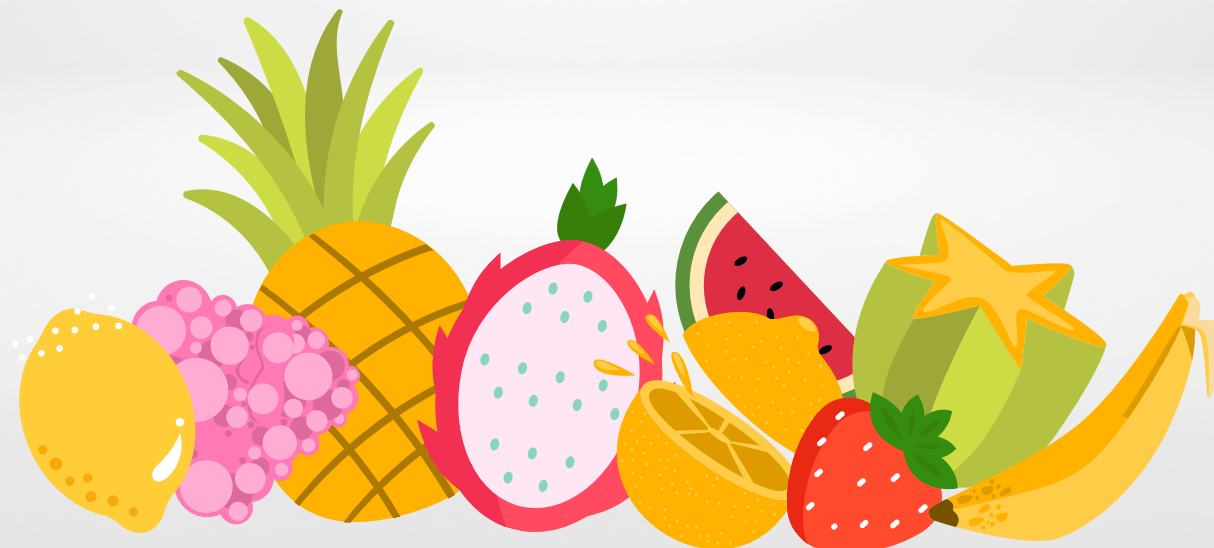
**ONE OF THE PRIMARY PURPOSES OF  
THE HOLY SPIRIT IS TO CONFORM  
US TO THE IMAGE OF CHRIST,  
MAKING US MORE LIKE HIM.**



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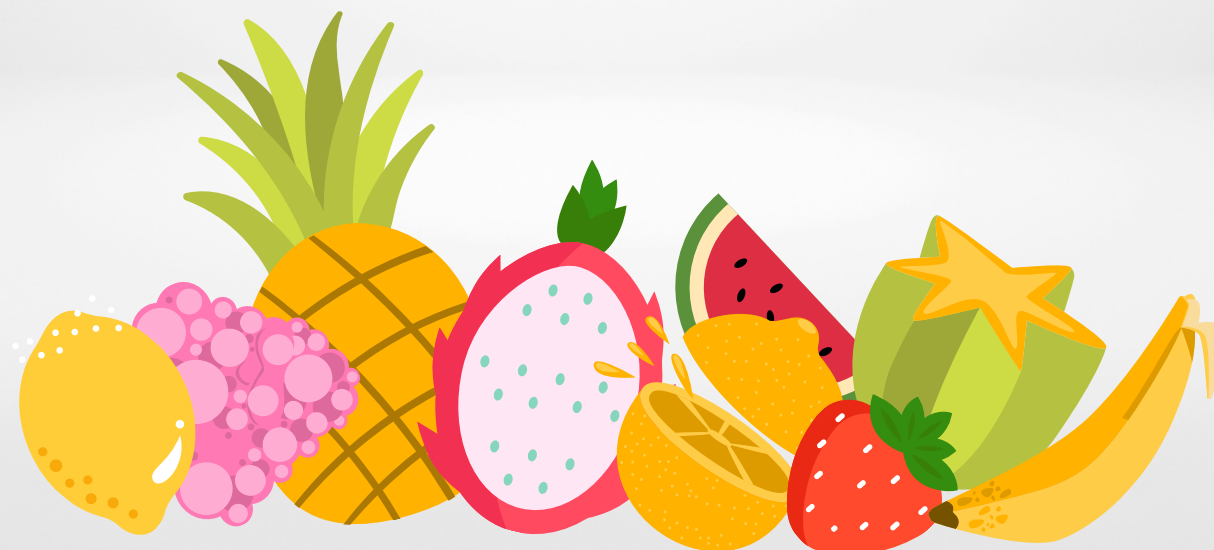


**GENTLENESS DOESN'T  
ALWAYS COME  
NATURALLY.**



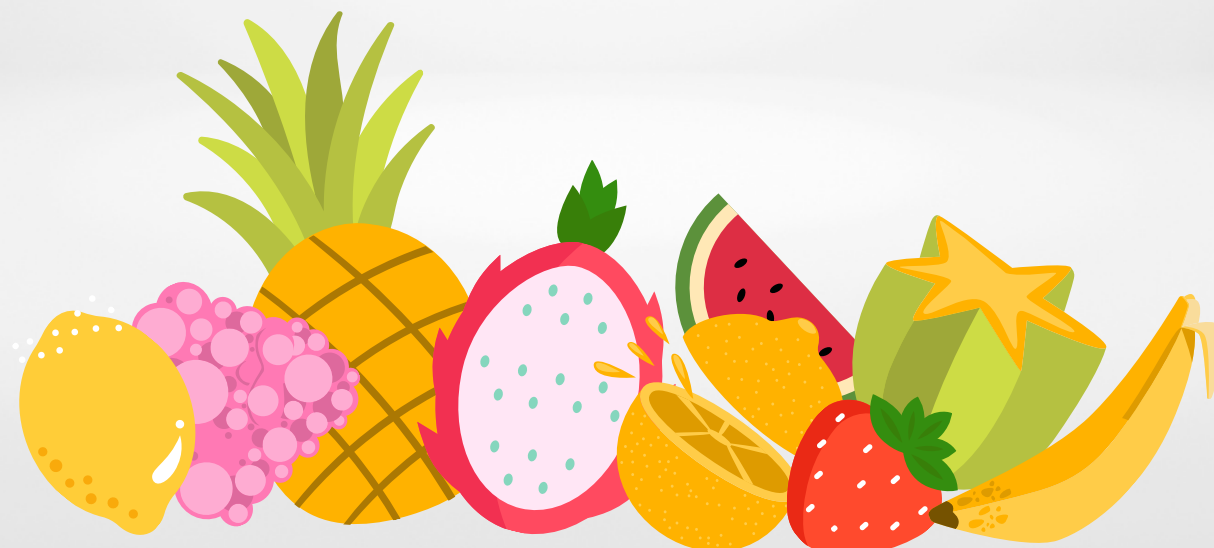
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**GENTLENESS IS NOT SO MUCH ABOUT OUR  
NATURAL PERSONALITY TRAITS AS IT IS  
ABOUT OUR SPIRITUAL ATTITUDE AND  
HOW WE APPROACH OTHERS.**



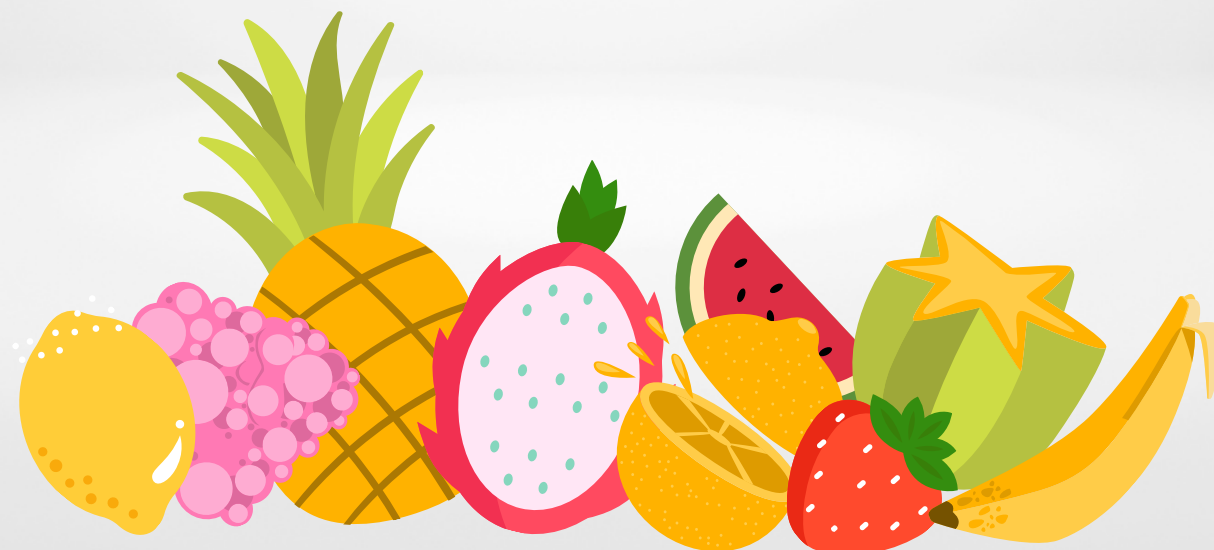
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- **GENTLENESS LOOKS LIKE LOVE, GRACE,  
HELPFULNESS, AND KINDNESS.**



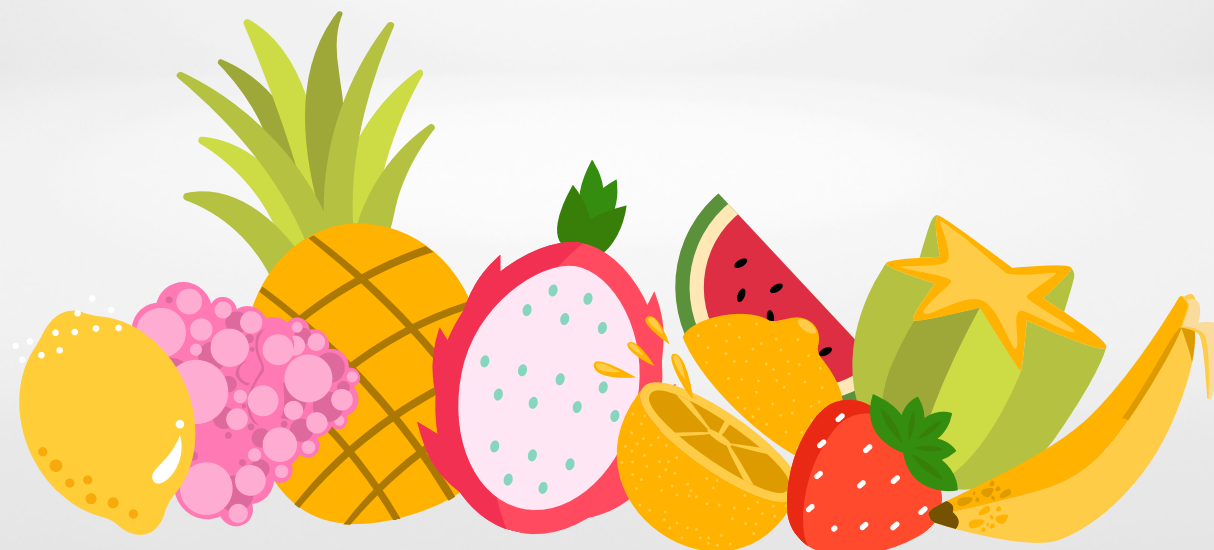
**Nine Words**

- **GENTLENESS PUTS OTHERS FIRST AND DOESN'T ACT LIKE IT MINDS DOING SO.**



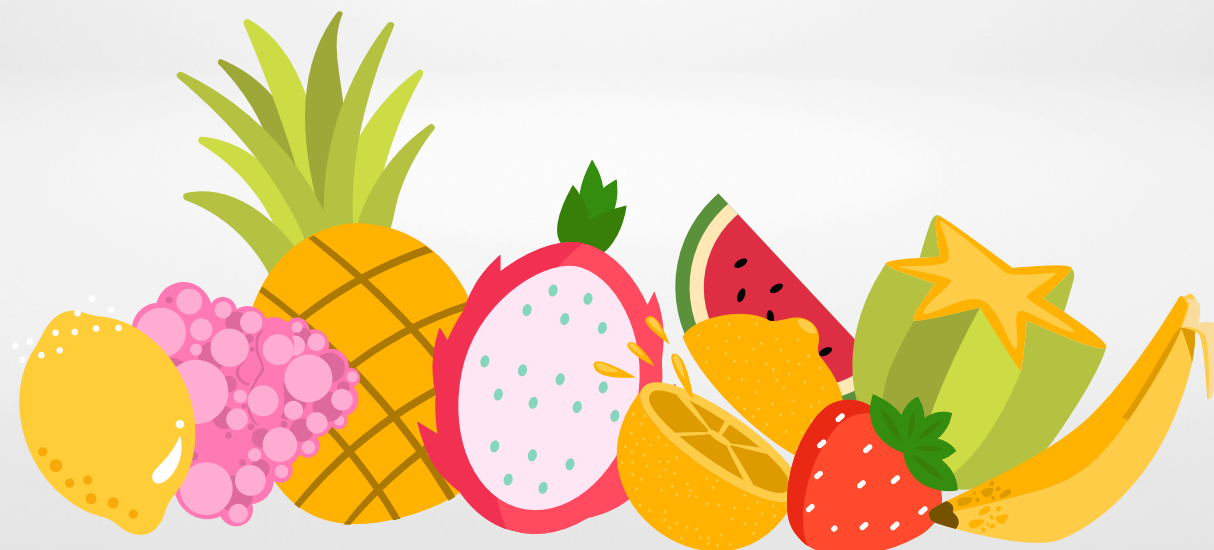
**Nine Words**

• **GENTLENESS DOESN'T HATE OR THROW INSULTS AT THOSE WHO ARE DOING THINGS THAT OUR VIEW MAY PERCEIVE AS WRONG. OTHERS MAY LOOK, DRESS, WORSHIP, VOTE, OR ACT DIFFERENTLY THAN US, BUT WE DON'T HAVE TO HATE THEM BECAUSE OF THAT DIFFERENCE.**



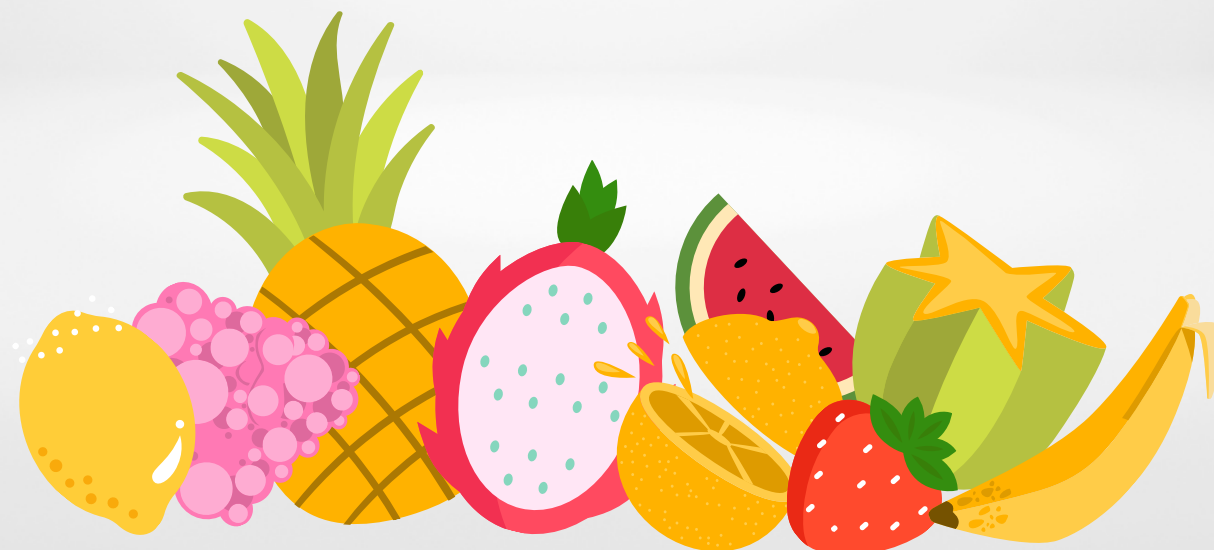
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• **GENTLENESS REMEMBERS THAT  
WE ARE ALL SINNERS, AND WE  
ARE ALL TRYING TO FIND OUR  
WAY THROUGH THIS UNGENTLE  
WORLD.**



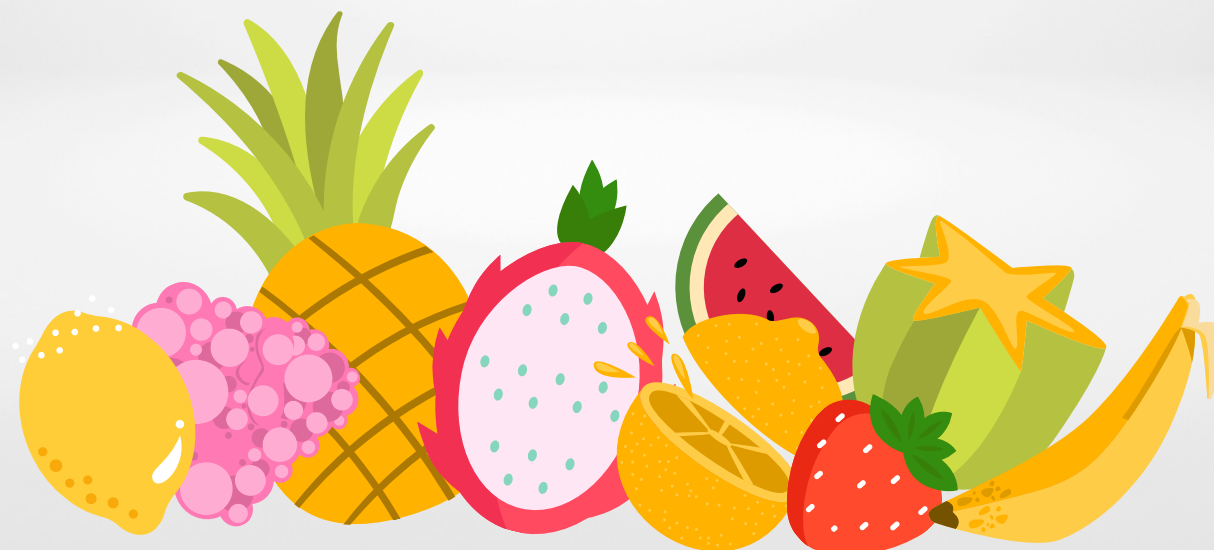
**Nine Words**

• **GENTLENESS EXTENDS GRACE  
(UNDESERVED FAVOR), LOVE,  
AND KINDNESS TO EVEN THE  
MOST DIFFICULT-TO-LIKE  
PEOPLE.**



**Nine Words**

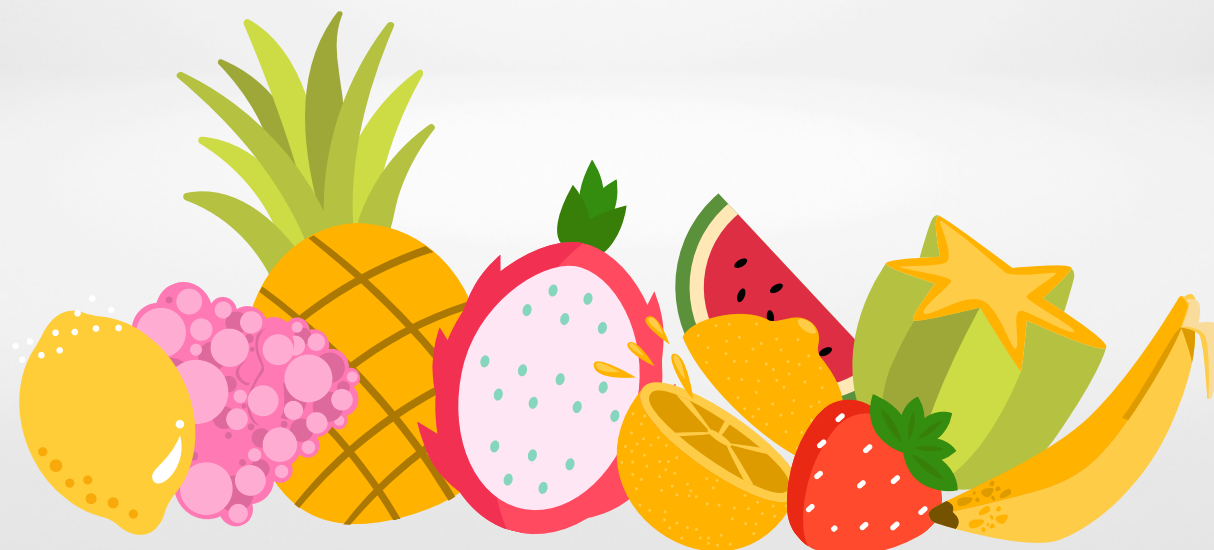
**• GENTLENESS IS A SOFT ANSWER,  
EVEN WHEN THE WORDS MIGHT HURT  
THE RECIPIENT. WHEN WE RECEIVE A  
DIFFICULT MESSAGE IN A GENTLE WAY,  
WE ARE MUCH BETTER ABLE TO  
RECEIVE IT FOR THE TRUTH IT IS.**



**Nine Words**

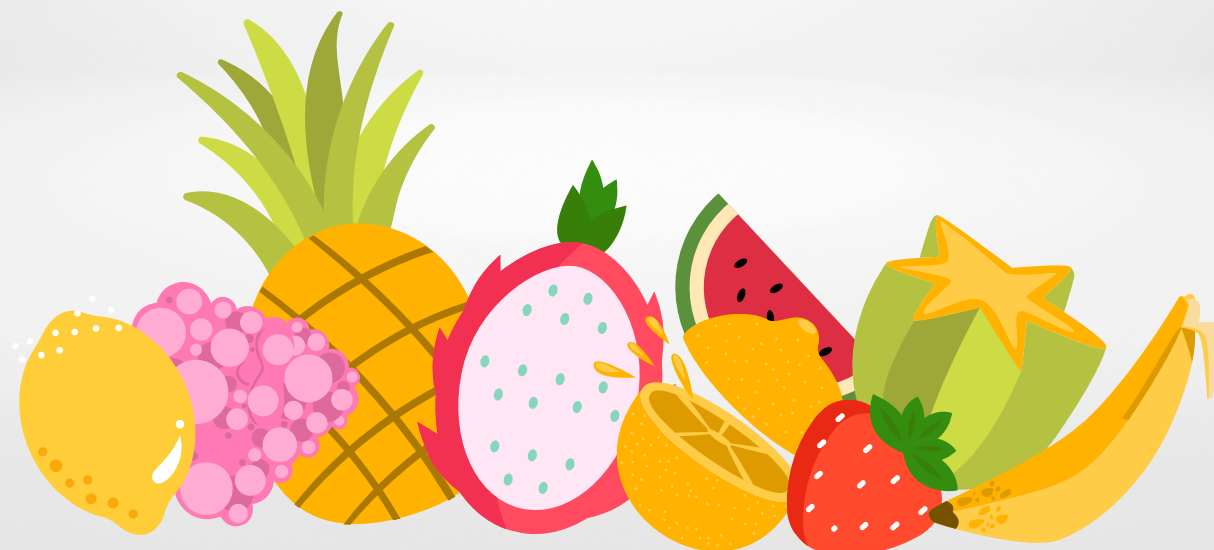


**GOD LOVES ME THE WAY I AM, BUT HE  
PRUNES THE BRANCHES THAT AREN'T  
GROWING WELL SO THAT THE ONES  
THAT WILL ADVANCE HIS KINGDOM  
REALLY FLOURISH!**



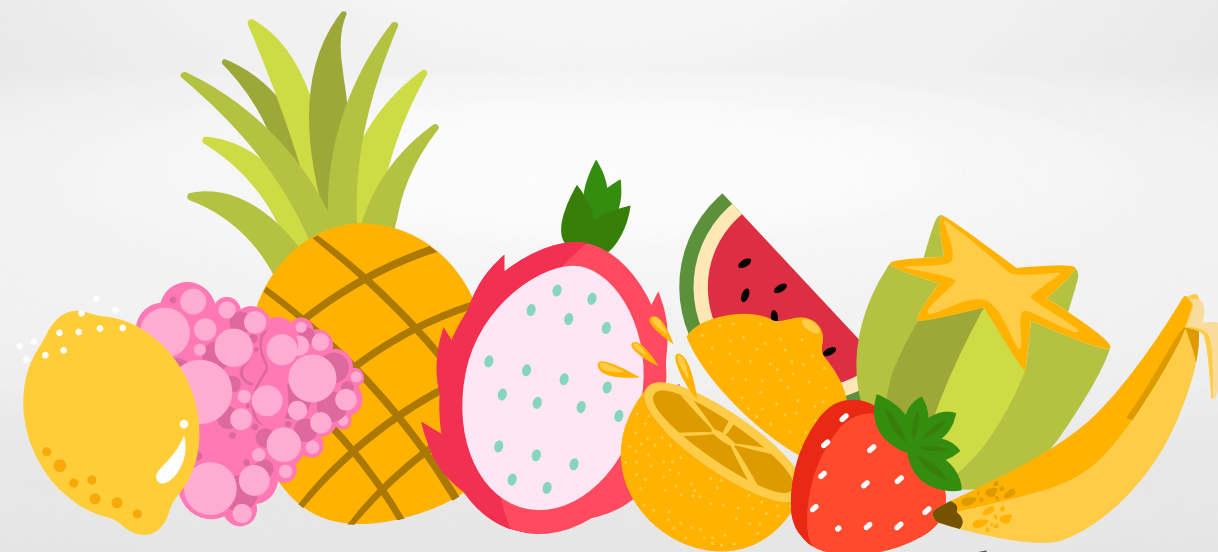
**Nine Words**

**GENTLENESS IS AN UNEXPECTED,  
POWERHOUSE RESPONSE TO A WORLD  
THAT ONLY EXPECTS MORE ANGER,  
VIOLENCE, AND STRIFE.**



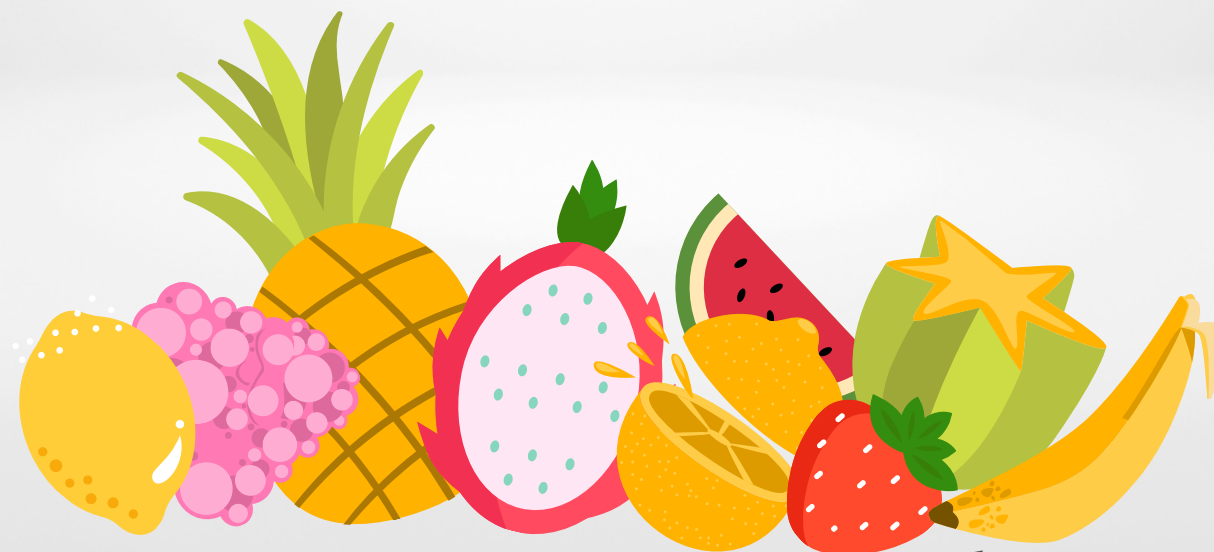
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# GENTLENESS



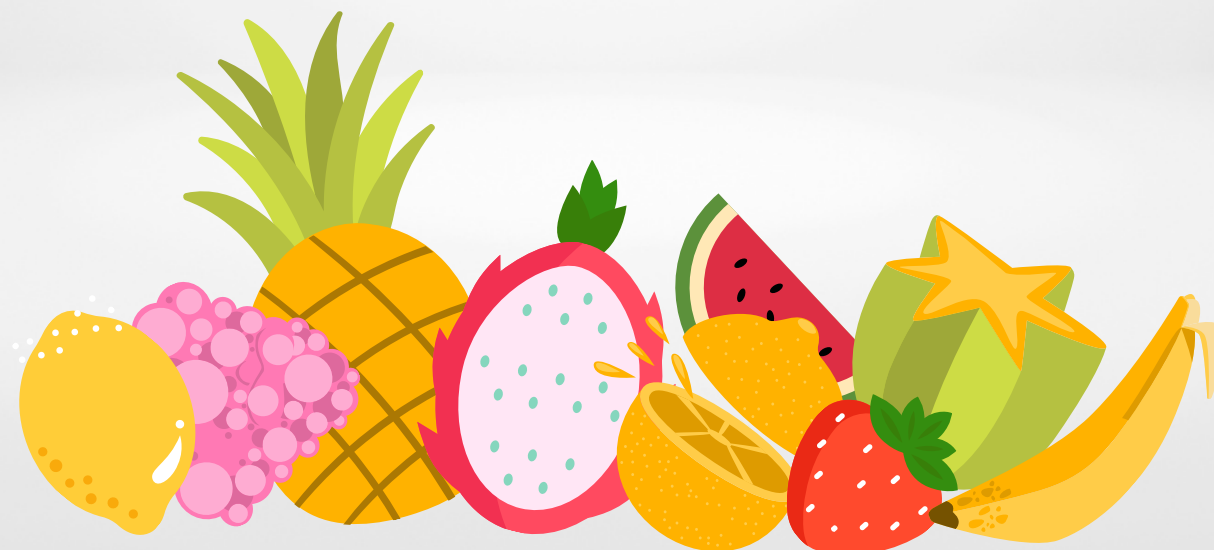
**Nine Words**

# FAITHFULNESS



**Nine Words**

# SELF-CONTROL



**Nine Words**