

Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness

4 But when the kindness of God our Savior
and His love for mankind appeared, 5 He
saved us

Titus 3:4–5

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10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10

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Fruit of the Spirit: Demonstrable evidence that the Father who has redeemed His children by the blood of His Son has sent His indwelling Spirit to produce in them an increasing reflection of the image of the One who created them.

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Evidence 1: Love

-- Believers Manifest Their Father's Love by the Power of His Indwelling Spirit (1 John 4:19)

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Evidence 2: Joy

-- Believers Practice Enduring Joy by the Power of His Indwelling Spirit (Nehemiah 8:10b)

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Evidence 3: Peace

-- Believers Rest in Transcendent Peace by the Power of His Indwelling Spirit (Isaiah 26:3)

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Evidence 4: Patience

-- Believers Purpose in Patience by the Power of His Indwelling Spirit (2 Peter 3:9)

Evidence 5: Believers Perform Intentional
Acts of Kindness by the Power of His
Indwelling Spirit

16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. 17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

Galatians 5:16–21

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18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. 19 Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,

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21 envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

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Aspect 1: Divinely Empowered

10 as it is written, “There is none righteous,
not even one; 11 There is none who
understands, There is none who seeks for
God; 12 All have turned aside, together they
have become useless; There is none who
does good, There is not even one.”

Romans 3:10–12

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1 The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, they have committed abominable deeds; There is no one who does good. 2 The Lord has looked down from heaven upon the sons of men

Psalms 14:1–3

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5 He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,

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28 “Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. 29 “Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 “For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

Matthew 11:28–30

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Ephesians 2:7

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 - Demonstration 3: Lend, Expecting Nothing in Return

12 As He entered a village, ten leprorous men who stood at a distance met Him; 13 and they raised their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” 14 When He saw them, He said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.”

Luke 17:12–16

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And as they were going, they were cleansed.
15 Now one of them, when he saw that he
had been healed, turned back, glorifying God
with a loud voice, 16 and he fell on his face at
His feet, giving thanks to Him. And he was a
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Demonstration 4: Be Tender-hearted

31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:31–32

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33 “If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. 34 “If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners in order to receive back the same amount.

Luke 6:33–34

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1 Therefore you have no excuse, everyone of you who passes judgment, for in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. 2 And we know that the judgment of God rightly falls upon those who practice such things.

Romans 2:1–3

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3 But do you suppose this, O man, when you pass judgment on those who practice such things and do the same yourself, that you will escape the judgment of God?

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