

Message Series Guide

Everywhere Christian

Part 7 – Authentic Faith (Living Room)

Matthew 7:17-20; Galatians 5:22-23

Trees are consistent in the kind of fruit they produce. Apple trees produce apples; pear trees produce pears, etc. Healthy trees will always produce healthy fruit. Trees that are diseased and dead will produce unhealthy fruit or no fruit at all. In the same way, followers of Christ should bear spiritual fruit in their faith. If we are connected and rooted in Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit will produce the Fruit of the Spirit in us. The world will know us by our fruits.

READ: Matthew 7:17-20; Galatians 5:22-23; Colossians 2:6; John 15:5

DISCUSS:

- What does nature reveal about a tree and its fruit?
 What kind of fruit do healthy/unhealthy trees bear?
- How can the world tell if we are followers of Christ?
- How would you describe each Fruit of the Spirit?
 What is the significance of the word 'fruit' being singular (rather than plural)? Which fruit do you have most trouble submitting to the will of the Holy Spirit?

PRAY & RESPOND:

Pray about how you be more open this week to sharing the Fruit of the Spirit with those around you.