



**MESSAGE NOTES & SMALL GROUP
DISCUSSION || PERSONAL GUIDES**

**“FOR THE LOVE
OF...” (PART 2)**

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Today we will see the remaining ways that _____ (the fruit of the Spirit) is manifested in and through our lives and relationships with others:

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_____ and *gentleness* closely related.

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Note Galatians 5:13; Ephesians 4:32; 1 Corinthians 13:4

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It has the idea of _____ and benevolence.

It is more _____ to give than receive (Jesus, Acts 20:35).

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This carries with it the ideas of reliability, _____, and trustworthiness.

Honesty...and integrity...make us people that can be _____.

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It also refers to the control of all desires instead of the _____ of all desires (note Titus 2:11-12).

Are we in rhythm with the Holy Spirit?:

- It isn't our spiritual gifts, titles, offices, personal spiritual disciplines, or experiences that are _____ of the Spirit-filled life.
- Note Romans 12:18
- The fruit of the Spirit cannot be produced by _____ - _____ (note 2 Peter 1:3-8).
- Is the _____ of God's love evident in our relationship with God and with others?

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ICE BREAKER: How has the current health scare caused you to look at life, expectations, faith and God's sovereignty?

1. How have you seen Holy Spirit-Produced Joy, Peace and Patience exhibited in you this week? In others?
2. Pastor Tom began this week's message with Spirit-Produced Kindness. How do Galatians 5:13, Ephesians 4:32, 1 Corinthians 13:4 and 1 Thessalonians 5:15 point us in the direction of living out love in our kindness to others?
3. When you think of Spirit-Produced Goodness in action, what comes to mind? Pastor Tom defined goodness as having to do with generosity and benevolence and quoted Jesus in Acts 20:35. How can we live out this idea in everyday life?
4. Spirit-produced Faithfulness makes us people who can be trusted. If people were honest about you, how would your faithfulness be rated? Why? What next step can you take to respond to the Holy Spirit if you'd like to be more faithful?
5. Pastor Tom shared that the Spirit also produces Gentleness which looks like being humble, teachable, open and not defensive. Consider that list. Why do you think it would only be possible to live this out by the Spirit working in you?
6. Spirit-Produced Self-Control brings to mind food, sex, temper, drinking and the list continues. Paul is referring to sexual things here, but this does apply to all we do. Read Titus 2:11-13. What can't you overcome by your own efforts, in which you need to ask for Spirit-Produced Self-Control?
7. How can your group help you quit trying to make these things happen and allow Holy Spirit to produce them naturally as you surrender completely to Him?

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Day One: 1 Samuel 22

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