

## **Fruition-Goodness**

### **Allowing God to Produce Spiritual Fruit in Your Life - Part 7**

Galatians 5:22-23 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

**INTEGRITY: Is deciding to integrate my HEART'S values into my DAILY actions.**

Proverbs 28:6 (NASB) "Better is the poor who walks in his integrity, than he who is crooked though he be rich."

1 Chronicles 29:17a (NIV) "I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity..."

**The value of integrity for a relationship ... it builds trust!**

#### **Three Benefits of Integrity**

##### **Protection - less fear**

Psalms 25:21 (NIV) "May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, Lord, is in you."

##### **Security - greater confidence**

Proverbs 10:9 (NIV) "The man of integrity walks securely..."

##### **Guidance - better decisions**

Proverbs 11:3 (NIV) "The integrity of the upright guides them..."

**How do you practice integrity ... at home?**

## **1. SPEAK HONESTLY**

Ephesians 4:15 (GN) "Speak the truth in a spirit of love"

Proverbs 20:7 (LB) "It is a wonderful heritage to have an honest father."

## **2. CONFESS REGULARLY**

James 5:16 (LB) "Admit your faults to one another and pray for each other..."

1 John 1:9 (LB) "But if we confess our sins to him, he can be depended on to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong."

## **3. LIVE CONSISTENTLY**

Matthew. 6:1 (LB) "Take care! Do not do your good deeds publicly, to be admired..."

**Consistency is vital in 3 areas:**

**Public verses your private image.**

**Discipline**

**Consistency between my words and my actions.**

1 Samuel 16:7b (NKJV) "Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

## **4. COMMIT OPENLY**

Isaiah. 45:19 (LB) "I publicly proclaim bold promises; I do not whisper obscurities in some dark corner so that no one will know what I mean."

Psalm 101:2b (ESV) I will walk with integrity of heart within my house.