

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT – Part 6: Patience, Kindness, Goodness

INTRODUCTION

- The fruit of the Spirit is the e____r_____ of living your life in Jesus
- A life in the Spirit is a life that is s____ a_____ from the world and it bears of life of blessing
- Why does the fruit of the Spirit begin with love? _____

PATIENCE – Exodus 34:5-7

- When we talk of patience, we are talking about _____ nature.
- To be merciful is to withhold puni_____ that another deserves.
- Why would anyone ever give mercy to another? _____
- Slow to anger is sometimes translated as lo____su_____. Out of mercy and compassion, God withholds his anger.
- If you want more patience, be me_____, gracious and for_____. Learn to for_____ even when they don't deserve it because that's merciful.

KINDNESS – Exodus 34:6; Ephesians 2:4-6, 4:32; Col 3:12-13

- Steadfast love is often translated at lov____k_____.
- He____ means loving-kindness, or mercy, compassion, grace, love and faithfulness. It also includes the sense of lo_____ within a relationship that inspires and moves you to take ac_____.
- Lovingkindness is expressed in how you re_____ to and inte_____ with another.
- Give some examples of lovingkindness. _____

GOODNESS – 1Chronicles 16:34; Luke 18:18-23; Mat 5:16

- How would you define good? _____
 - When we say that God is good, what do we mean? _____
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- The more we walk in the Spirit, the more we _____ according God's standard of goodness. Our life should ref_____ His goodness.
 - Like kindness, goodness extends to others As Luther said, God does not need your good works but your ne_____ does.
 - What are some examples of good works? _____
 - Goodness is a fruit that is ultimately for the ben_____ of ot_____.

HEAR & APPLY THE WORD

- Set your mind upon the things of the Spirit.
- Focus on following Jesus, not chasing after the fruit of the Spirit.
- Patience: Practice mercy and forgiveness
- Kindness: Examine your relationship not only with those you love, but your enemies as well.
- Goodness: Act according to God's standards; Let His goodness overflow to your neighbor.



How to Prepare for The Lord's Supper

In order that you may receive this Holy Sacrament in a worthy manner you should carefully consider what you must now believe and do.

From the words of Christ: "This is My body, which is given for you; This is My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins;" you should believe that Jesus Christ is present with His body and blood, as the words declare. From Christ's words, "For the remission of sins," you should also believe that Jesus gives to you His body and blood to strengthen your assurance that your sins are forgiven. And, finally, you should do as Christ commands you when He says: "Take, eat; Drink of it, all of you; This do in remembrance of me."

If you believe these words of Christ, and do as He has commanded, then you have properly examined yourselves and may eat Christ's body and drink His blood in a worthy manner. You should, also, unite in giving thanks to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for so great a gift, and should love one another with a pure heart, and thus, with the whole Christian Church, have comfort and joy in Christ our Lord. To this end may God the Father give you His

Sermon Notes

Scripture Readings
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Exodus 34:1-9
p. 87

Galatians 5:22-25
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Luke 6:27-36
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The Lord's Supper

We believe that the Lord's Supper is more than a remembrance. We believe that in the Lord's Supper Christ Jesus is truly present in body and blood, given in bread and wine for us to eat and drink. We also believe it is a means by which we receive true forgiveness of sin.

The Lord's supper is for those who are baptized and confess Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Learn more on how to prepare for
The Lord's Supper