

John 15:1-12

This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now **remain** in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and **remain** in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

UPWARD FRUIT

Love is Committed Obedience

Joy is love Rejoicing

Peace is love Trusting

Love is the "**Root of the Fruit**" - It winds its way through every aspect of the fruitful life.

There is a **Joy** in knowing that no outside force can turn God away from you. He is forever committed to loving you.

There is a **Peace** in knowing you have been obedient to a God that loves you and the burden of the results are not for you to carry.

All of the fruits are rooted in love, a love we can not manufacture, but that comes with the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Galatians 2:20

This fruit imitates the character of God.

WARNING: DANGEROUS PRAYER

"Lord, over the next two weeks, as we talk about the Fruit of the Spirit, I give you permission in advance to transform me into your image so that I may bear that kind of fruit."

This week (*week #2*)

Galatians 2:20

Ephesians 2:13-14

Galatians 5:13-26

Ephesians 4:22-24

Romans 8:14-17

Philippians 2:1-2