



Fruit of the Believer

Part II

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Review



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- *“Every branch (in Me) that does not bear fruit, He takes away,”* John 15:2
- *“Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. So then, you will know them by their fruits.”* Matthew 7:19-20
- *“These thing I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life.”* 1 John 5:13



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⁴ For in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, ⁵ and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, ⁶ and then have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, since they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.

Hebrew 6:4-6

Fruit #1 Love for God and others





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- *“The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.”²⁰ If someone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen”. John 4:8; 20*
- True believers love God and others, sacrificially love their spouse, love their coworkers, love their enemies, even when you don't feel like it.

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- *“And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments.
⁴The one who says, “I have come to know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him”*

1 John 2:3-4



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- The Greek word translated “keep” in verse 3 speaks of watchful, careful, thoughtful obedience. It involves not only the act of obedience, but also the spirit of obedience—a willingness and desire to obey the Word, not just in letter of the law but the spirit of the law.

Fruit #3 Believe right doctrine





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- *“Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God”*

1 John 4:1–3



Fruit #3 Believe right doctrine

- True believers affirm sound doctrine (2:20-23; 4:2,6). John here teaches that no true believer will fall into any serious, Christ-denying error or heresy.

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- True believers will endure in their walk with Christ; perseverance is one of the evidences of true saving faith (Col.1:23). Not perfectly, but progressively.

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- *“If we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us” I John 1:7–10*



Fruit #5 Sensitive to Sin

- The person who is truly saved is sensitive to the sin--mainly in his or her own life, not just in others.

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- Fruit #2 Obedience—Are you obedient to God's Word? Are you studying it?
- Fruit #3 Doctrine—Do you hold to the non-negotiables of the Christian faith: Deity of Christ? Grace through faith in Christ alone? Trinity?



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- Fruit # 5 Sin—Are you sensitive to the sin in your life? Do you see a decreasing pattern of sin in your life?