

Fruit of the Spirit and Attributes of God

Love

Love of God

Romans 8:37-39	No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Zephaniah 3:17	The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.
1 John 4:7-8	Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.
1 Peter 5:6-7	Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.
Job 34:19	who shows no partiality to princes, nor regards the rich more than the poor, for they are all the work of his hands?
Psalms 86:15	But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.
1 John 3:1	See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him

Love expressed in self-giving of Christ

John 3:16	“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.
Romans 5:8	but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Galatians 2:20	I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
Ephesians 2:4-5	But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved—
1 John 4:9-11	In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another

Joy

1 Timothy 1:9	9 realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers 10 and immoral men and homosexuals and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching, 11 according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, with which I have been entrusted.
Nehemiah 8:10	“The joy of the Lord is your strength”
Psalms 65:8	And they who dwell in the ends of the earth stand in awe of Thy signs; Thou dost make the dawn and the sunset shout for joy.
2 Samuel 22:20	He also brought me forth into a broad place; He rescued me, because He delighted in me” ().
Psalms 65:13	The meadows are clothed with flocks, And the valleys are covered with grain; They shout for joy, yes, they sing.
Psalms 96:12	Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy.
1 Kings 10:9	“Blessed be the Lord your God who delighted in you to set you on the throne of Israel; because the Lord loved Israel forever, therefore He made you king, to do justice and righteousness” ().

Joy of Christ

Hebrews 12:1-3	Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you may not grow weary and lose heart.
John 15:11	“These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full”.
John 17:13	“But now I come to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy made full in themselves”
Matthew 25	In the parable of the stewards, the master expresses joy over the stewards’ investments. It is the unfaithful steward who is rebuked. The steward tries to explain that he hid his talents because he assumed his master to be cruel. Often people assume God to be cruel, rather than seeing His joy.

Peace

Found in Jesus

Matthew 11:28-30	Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."
Isaiah 9:6	For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
John 14:27	Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.
Colossians 3:15	And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.
John 16:33	I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."
John 20:19	On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

In God's Character

Malachi 2:5	My covenant was with him, a covenant of life and peace, and I gave them to him; this called for reverence and he revered me and stood in awe of my name.
Isaiah 57:19	Creating praise on the lips of the mourners in Israel. Peace, peace, to those far and near, "says the Lord. "And I will heal them."
2 Thessalonians 3:16	Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

Patience

Exodus 34:6	Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth;
Romans 2:4	Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?
2 Peter 3:9	The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.
1 Peter 3:20	who once were disobedient, when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a

	few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water
Numbers 14:18	‘The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression, but he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, to the third and the fourth generation.’
Psalms 86:15	But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.
Nahum 1:3	The LORD is slow to anger and great in power, and the LORD will by no means clear the guilty. His way is in whirlwind and storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.
Romans 2:3-4	Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God? Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God’s kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?
2 Peter 3:9	The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

Kindness

Psalms 103:11	“For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.”
Psalms 86:5	“For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.”
Psalms 23:6	“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.”
1 Chronicles 16:34	“O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.”
2 Corinthians 1:3	“Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort.”
Psalms 103:8	“The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.”
Isaiah 54:7	“For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.”
Exodus 34:6-7	“And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children’s children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.”

Ephesians 2:4	“But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us..”
Numbers 14:18	“The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.”
Lamentations 3:32	“But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.”
1 Peter 1:3	“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead..”
Lamentations 3:22-23	“It is of the LORD’s mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.”
Psalms 145:9	“The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.”
Micah 7:18	“Who is a God like unto thee, that pardons iniquity, and passes by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retains not his anger forever, because he delights in mercy.”
Psalms 103:17	“But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children’s children.”
Isaiah 49:13	“Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.”
Romans 9:15	“For he said to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.”
Psalms 51:1	“Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.”
Psalms 31:7	“I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities.”

Goodness

Psalms 107:1	Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His lovingkindness is everlasting.
Psalms 31:19	How great is Thy goodness, which Thou hast stored up for those who fear Thee, which Thou hast wrought for those who take refuge in Thee, before the sons of men!

Hosea 3:5	Afterward the sons of Israel will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king; and they will come trembling to the LORD and to His goodness in the last days.
Exodus 33:19	Then Moses said, “I pray Thee, show me Thy glory!” And He said, “I Myself will make all My goodness pass before you, and will proclaim the name of the LORD before you; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show compassion on whom I will show compassion”
Psalms 16:2	I said to the LORD, “Thou art my Lord; I have no good besides Thee”
Matthew 19:16-17	And behold, one came to Him and said, “Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may obtain eternal life?” 17 And He said to him, “Why are you asking Me about what is good? There is [only] One who is good; but if you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments”.
James 1:17	Every good thing bestowed and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation, or shifting shadow.
Deuteronomy 8:2-3	“And you shall remember all the way which the LORD your God has led you in the wilderness these forty years, that He might humble you, testing you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. 3 And He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD”.
Psalms 73:23-26	Nevertheless I am continually with Thee; Thou hast taken hold of my right hand. 24 With Thy counsel Thou wilt guide me, And afterward receive me to glory. 25 Whom have I in heaven? And besides Thee, I desire nothing on earth. 26 My flesh and my heart may fail, But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Faithfulness

Psalms 33:4	For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.
Psalms 36:5	Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.
Psalms 86:15	But you, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

Psalm 89:1	I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.
Psalm 89:8	O LORD God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.
Psalm 91:3-6	3 Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. 4 He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. 5 You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, 6 nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.
Psalm 92:1-3	It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, 2 to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night, 3 to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.
Psalm 108:4	For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.
Psalm 115:1	Not to us, O LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.
Psalm 143:1	O LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy; in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief
Lamentations 3:22-23	Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. 23 They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
Romans 3:3-4	What if some did not have faith? Will their lack of faith nullify God's faithfulness? 4 Not at all!
1 Corinthians 1:9	God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.
1 Corinthians 10:13	13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.
1 John 1:9	If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Gentleness

Psalm 18:35	You have given me the shield of your salvation, and your right hand supported me, and your gentleness made me great.
Matthew 11:29	Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
Isaiah 40:11	He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.
Isaiah 53:7	He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

Self-control

Matthew 4	Temptation: Jesus passes the temptations of pleasure and power.
	Gethsemane: Geography tells us that Jesus had multiple escape routes prior to His arrest, but allowed Himself to suffer the injustice and indignity of being taken into custody.
	Crucifixion: Historically, victims would retaliate by cursing those who mocked them. But Christ prays for forgiveness for those who victimized Him.