

The Fruit of the Spirit (Expositor's Bible Commentary dl. 2, blz. 742)

The aspects of the fruit of the Spirit advocated by Paul in Galatians 5:22-23 occur not only here but also elsewhere in the Scriptures. Most of the attributes are those by which God himself lives.

Aspect	Definition	Attribute of God	Attribute for Christians
love	sacrificial, unmerited deeds to help a needy person	Ex 34:6; Jn 3:16; Ro5:8; 1Jn 4:8, 16	Jn 13:34-35; Ro 12: 9-10; 1Pe 1:22; 1Jn 4:7, 11-12,21
joy	an inner happiness not dependent on outward circumstances	Ps 104:31; Isa 62:5; Lk 15:7, 10	Dt 12:7,12,18; Ps 64:10; Isa 25:9; Php 4:4; 1Pe 1:8
peace	harmony in all relationships	Isa 9:6-7; Eze 34:25; Jn 14:27; Heb 13:20	Isa 26:3; Ro 5:1; 12:18; 14:17; Eph 2:14-17
patience	putting up with others, even when one is severely tried	Ro 9:22; 1Ti 1:16; 1Pe 3:20; 2Pe 3:9, 15	Eph 4:2; Col 1:11; Heb 6:12; Jas 5:7-8, 10
kindness	doing thoughtful deeds for others	Ro 2:4; 11:22; Eph 2:7; Tit 3:4	1 Co 13:4; Eph 4:32; Col 3:12
goodness	showing generosity to others	Ne 9:25, 35; Ps 31:19; Mk 10:18	Ro 15:14; Eph 5:9; 2Th 1:11
faithfulness	trustworthiness and reliability	Ps 33:4; 1Co 1:9; 10:13; Heb 10:23; 1Jn 1:9	Lk 16:10-12; 2Th 1:4; 2Ti 4:7; Tit 2:10
gentleness	meeekness and humility	Zec 9:9; Mt 11:29	Isa 66:2; Mt 5:5; Eph 4:2; Col 3:12
self-control	victory over sinful desires		Pr 16:32; Tit 1:8; 2:12; 1Pe 5:8-9; 2Pe 1:6