

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Gal. 5:16-25

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. THE PROBLEM
2. THE SOLUTION
3. THE REWARD

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick two or three of these to talk about as a group

1. What was most helpful for you from this week's message? Why?
2. In Galatians 5:16-25 we see how to treat one another right. There is relational messiness in all human communities. However, sometimes it can be more challenging for us when this messiness takes place in a church. What relational issues have you experienced in church? How did these issues affect you?
3. Our outward displays of unhealth can always be traced back to an inward over-desire of some kind. What might be the over-desires that are driving the negative behaviors in your life? (**Note:** an over-desire is often a good desire taken to the extreme).
4. Paul describes the fruit of the spirit in singular terms, not plural. This means that we can't pick and choose which fruit we will have in our life and which we won't. If the Spirit is in our life, we should be growing in all of the areas of this fruit. Looking at your walk with Jesus as a whole, do you see progress and growth in every area mentioned in Galatians 5:22-23?
5. What can we do to create the right conditions for the fruit of the Spirit to grow in our lives?
6. What should we do if we don't see any fruit in our lives?

A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU: A genuine faith in Jesus is always a fruit-bearing faith.