



## Daily Verse and Comment

### Galatians 5:22-24

(22) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, (23) gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. (24) Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.

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These qualities are aspects of God's character that we all need to have and use:

**Love** : Outgoing concern for others. True concern for all of mankind. Not being self-centered. Doing for others what is right, despite their character, appearance, social status, etc. (I Corinthians 13).

**Joy** : Related to happiness, only happiness requires right circumstances where joy does not. Jesus Christ felt joy though He faced heavy trials ( Hebrews 12:2). We should all be joyful having been called by God.

**Peace** : Peace of mind and peace with God ( Philippians 4:6-7).

**Longsuffering** : Bearing with others who are working out their salvation. Being slow to anger ( Romans 15:1; Luke 21:19).

**Kindness** : Behaving toward others kindly, as God has behaved toward us ( Ephesians 4:31-32).

**Goodness** : Generosity of spirit that springs from imitating Jesus Christ ( Psalms 33:4-5).

**Faithfulness** : Being reliable. This describes a person who is trustworthy and will always stand up for God's way. We can count on, and should work at imitating, the faithfulness of God ([Philippians 1:6](#); [Hebrews 13:5](#)).

**Gentleness** : Considerate and tactful in conduct and correction. Never angry at the wrong time ([Matthew 5:22-24](#); [Ephesians 4:26](#)).

**Self-Control** : Discipline which gives us victory over the wrong pulls of our mind and body ([I John 2:15-17](#)).

— John O. Reid

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