

# The Fruit of the Spirit Is Peace

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Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,  
Gal 5:23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

**I. Peace** [a state of quiet or tranquility (in self, between men, or between God and men)]

**A. Holy Spirit peace is beyond anything this world can offer or even know**

Rom 3:17 And the way of peace have they not known:

**B. Holy Spirit peace is a quietness of mind that the natural mind cannot rationalize**

Php 4:7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**II. Jesus made God to be at peace with sinners—Jesus did the work of reconciliation**

**A. The Holy God was (and still is) at enmity against sin and unwashed sinners**

Lam 2:5 The Lord was as an enemy...

Rom 8:7 Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God...

Rom 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men...

Psa 21:8 Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies...

Psa 21:9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them.

Rev 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

**B. Jesus has reconciled the enmity (made peace) between God and His children**

Rom 5:10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Isa 53:5 ...the chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Luk 24:36 ... Peace *be* unto you ... (Joh 20:19, Joh 20:21, Joh 20:26)

2Co 5:18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ...

**III. When we come to know that God has made peace—Then we can have peace**

**A. The preacher does not have to help Jesus do what He has already done**

2Co 5:18 proclaims a truth: *God...hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ*

This is a truth—God is reconciled to all Jesus died for—Whether they know it or not

The truth of achieved reconciliation remains truth—Whether we believe it or not

God knows this truth to be so—God has peace of mind about this thing of peace  
If we come to know this truth about peace—Even the truth that God already knows  
Then we (like God) can have peace of mind about this thing of peace

**B. The gospel preacher is to proclaim the peace that Jesus has already made**

2Co 5:18 ...God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;  
2Co 5:19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.  
2Co 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

**C. There is very little peace in trying to figure: “How much good is good enough?”**

Rom 3:12 ...there is none that doeth good, no, not one.  
Rom 3:19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.  
Rom 3:20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight...

**D. There is a lack of peace in trying to figure: “How much faith is faith enough?”**

Mar 4:40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?  
Mat 17:20 ...If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove...  
Mar 9:24 ...Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.

**E. God saves His children without their help—That is the real truth**

Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.  
Rom 9:16 So then *it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth*, but of God that sheweth mercy.  
Rom 11:6 And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.  
Rom 3:3-4 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? God forbid...  
2Ti 2:13 If we believe not, *yet* he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

**F. The more real truth that you have—The more real peace you will have**

Joh 8:31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye **continue in my word**, *then* are ye my disciples indeed;  
Joh 8:32 And ye shall **know the truth**, and **the truth shall make you free**.  
Mat 11:29 Take my yoke upon you, and **learn of me**; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and **ye shall find rest unto your souls**.

Jer 6:16 Thus saith the LORD, **Stand ye in the ways**, and see, and **ask for the old paths**, where *is* the good way, and walk therein, and **ye shall find rest for your souls**. But they said, We will not walk *therein*.

**G. God sends His preachers to preach the gospel of peace—To teach the way of peace**

Rom 10:15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that **preach the gospel of peace**, and bring glad tidings of good things!  
Luk 1:79 To **give light** to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to **guide our feet into the way of peace**.  
2Ti 1:8 ...the gospel according to the power of God;  
2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,  
2Ti 1:10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and **hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel**:

**H. The real truth of the real Savior gives real peace**

Mat 1:21 ...thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.  
Joh 19:30 ...he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.  
Isa 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.  
Rom 8:33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth.  
Rom 8:34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen...

Mat 28:6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said...

1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Rom 8:24 For we are saved by hope...

Tit 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

*There is coming a day when no heartaches shall come,  
No more clouds in the sky, no more tears to dim the eye;  
All is PEACE forevermore... Jim Hill*

## **V. The fruit of the Spirit is peace with God, others and self**

### **A. The Holy Spirit teaches our born-again spirits that God is at peace with us**

Isa 54:13 And all thy children *shall be* taught of the LORD; and great *shall be* the peace of thy children.

### **B. The Holy Spirit teaches our born-again spirits to live at peace with each other**

Eph 4:1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

Eph 4:2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;

Eph 4:3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Jas 3:17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

Jas 3:18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

Rom 12:18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

### **C. The gospel of peace (which passes understanding) cures troubled and fearful hearts**

Php 4:7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Joh 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Joh 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Isa 26:3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace (*shalom shalom*), whose mind is stayed (*lean on, take hold of, prop up, bear up*) on thee: because he trusteth in thee.



