



THE FRUIT *of the* SPIRIT

The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

~ Galatians 5:19-23

Three Simple Facts About Fruit

1. It takes time to GROW.
2. It CAN BE FAKED.
3. It CAN ALWAYS BE COUNTED ON.

Two Questions

I. How does Agape work?

Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.

~ 1 John 3:18

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- I. How does Agape work?
- II. Why is it so important?

If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing. If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing.

~ 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

By this all men will know that you are my disciples,
if you love one another.

~ John 13:35

If you love only those who love you, what
reward is there for that? Even the corrupt tax
collectors do that much.

~ Matthew 5:46



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Let love be your highest goal.

~ 1 Corinthians 14:1



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