

## **Fruit of The Holy Spirit or Spiritual Fruit?**

### **Objective:**

1. To more fully understand whom the Holy Spirit is (Ephesians 5:17).
  - a. The Holy Spirit is not an “it”.
  - b. The Holy Spirit had a role in the 1<sup>st</sup> century that He does not have today.
  - c. Spiritual gifts and the Holy Spirit are directly tied together.
2. To understand that the Holy Spirit does not produce the “fruit of the Spirit” in Galatians 5:22-23.
3. To apply points 1 and 2 to Galatians 5:16-26.

### **Questions:**

1. Is the Holy Spirit a person, place, or a thing (John 14:17, John 14:26, John 15:26, and John 16:13)?
  
2. Who was the Holy Spirit promised to (John 7:39, Acts 2:38-39, Acts 5:32, Ephesians 1:13, I Thessalonians 4:7-8, and I John 4:12-13)?
  
3. The gift of the Holy Spirit was given to men in this manner (Acts 1:5, Acts 2:1-4, Acts 10:44-48, and Acts 11:1-18) \_\_\_\_\_.
  
4. The gift of the Holy Spirit was also given in this manner (Acts 8:12-24 and Acts 19:1-7) \_\_\_\_\_.
  
5. How do we know that the giving of the gift of the Holy Spirit, as discussed in question # 3, has ceased (Ephesians 4:5 and I Peter 3:20-21)?
  
6. How do we know that the giving of the gift of the Holy Spirit, as discussed in question # 4, has ceased (Acts 1:22 and I Corinthians 15:1-8)?
  
7. When someone received the Holy Spirit, what did they then do (Matthew 10:16-20, Mark 13:11, Acts 2:4, Acts 19:6, and I John 2:27)?

8. What was the purpose of the gift of the Holy Spirit (I Corinthians 12:3-11 and Mark 16:15-20)?

9. Was the purpose of the gift of the Holy Spirit temporary (I Corinthians 13:8-13)?

10. What do these Scriptures help us to understand about the “indwelling of God” (John 14:20, John 15:4, II Corinthians 5:17, II Timothy 3:12, and I John 4:15-16; cf. Ephesians 3:16-19)?

11. Who is supposed to produce the following fruit (Galatians 5:22-23)?

- a. Love (John 13:34-35, John 14:23-24, and II John 6).
- b. Joy (Romans 5:11).
- c. Peace (Romans 8:6, Romans 14:19, and James 3:17-18).
- d. Longsuffering (Colossians 3:12).
- e. Gentleness (Titus 3:1-2).
- f. Goodness (I Thessalonians 5:15).
- g. Faith (Hebrews 11:6).
- h. Meekness (I Timothy 6:11).
- i. Temperance (II Peter 1:5-9).

\*To be clear, prior to all Scriptures enabling man to do every good work (II Timothy 3:16-17), the Spirit did equip men so that they could do good works (Romans 15:13, II Peter 1:20-21, etc.).

12. Will we be judged for our works or will the Holy Spirit do them for us (Matthew 7:21-23, John 5:28-29, II Corinthians 5:10, and Galatians 6:7-9)?

**Conclusion:** Who is supposed to produce the fruit discussed in Galatians 5:22-23 (Galatians 5:24-26 and Colossians 1:10)?